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Hong Kong Through Eyes Of Tried To Steal An Anchor

A Lancashire Man

(By Margaret Bradbury)

In Hong Kong today with a keen eye on politics and business is Mr. Walter Fletcher, Member of Parliament for the Lancashire town of Bury—industrial working mans constituency with a total population of 64,000.

When Pang Mui appeared before Mr. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday, charged with larceny by finding of an anchor on board a junk at the Yau Ma Tei typhoon shelter on Jan. 10, S. I. Askew informed the Court that, as the result of numerous complaints, a special patrol of detectives were put on duty on a sampan on Friday night. Seeing two men on a junk, the detectives boarded the vessel upon which one of the men jumped into the water and disappeared into the darkness. Accused was arrested on board. Inquiries were made by the Police but the owner of the anchor could not be found, said S. I. Askew, due no doubt to the junk people's fear of reprisals from the gang which is operating in those waters. There was, however, no suggestion that defendant was a member of the gang, added S. I. Askew. Sentence of two weeks' hard labour was passed by His Worship.

MORE HASTE, MORE FINE

When motor-junk M15T was just off Green Island on its way out of the Colony it was intercepted by S. I. Blackhurst who, on boarding, found on board 22 tins of paint, two boxes of cotton, three bags of barley, nine boxes of macaroni, a box of raisins, and three boxes of grape juice which did not appear on the ship's manifest.

Charged before Mr. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday, Wong Sing pleaded that as he was in a hurry he did not have time to have the manifest altered. His hurry cost him \$100.

Mr. Fletcher who arrived here by air on Thursday for a short visit from England spent one week in Singapore and Java on his way out.

For the past sixteen months it has been part of his province as one of the very few Conservative representatives of a working class area to expose the much publicised extreme muddle that has been made in the handling of rice exports from Siam. Mr. Fletcher said yesterday, "Having studied the question thoroughly I am convinced the rice situation there is an example of the failure of bulk buying and the Government method not to use established and organised commercial channels." Mr. Fletcher declared that a million and a quarter tons of surplus rice is now lying in Siam waiting to be shipped to areas where there is existing semi-starvation and starvation.

When he returns home on Jan. 19 it is Mr. Fletcher's firm intention to tell the House of Commons and the British press that "75 per cent of the troubles in Malaya are due to lack of rice, while 500 miles over the border there is this enormous surplus."

Said Mr. Fletcher: "In my opinion, to have an allocation board and a control in Washington, even if this board has deputies on the spot, produces a remoteness from reality which is startling to those who are aware of all the evils which arise from under-nourishment."

Worm's Eye View

A firm believer in the worm's eye view rather than the bird's eye view, Mr. Fletcher is not in agreement with official Parliamentary missions. He told me yesterday: "It is important that those in the House whose duty it

is to keep Far Eastern subjects before the public at home should have first hand knowledge and make use of the Parliamentary recess by visiting these areas themselves. I do not believe that official Parliamentary delegations are allowed to see everything that they should see. The individual can get many more contacts than a body which must necessarily have to deal with groups rather than singular officials."

Mr. Fletcher, who is chairman of the Conservative Far East Committee is not a stranger to China. During the war he spent two years in Kunming and Chungking and this is his second visit to the Colony. "Hong Kong," he said, "has obviously done an excellent job of rehabilitation compared to the Netherlands East Indies, Bangkok and Rangoon. I feel that the only two points of stability on which a new and solid Far East can be founded are Malaya and Hong Kong."

While in the Colony Mr. Fletcher has four firm intentions which have nothing to do with the main objects of his visit. As an enthusiastic painter, he will take advantage of the beautiful Hong Kong landscapes and as a luxury starved traveller from austerity England he will "eat and drink well and often."

Conditions At Home

Giving a description of present conditions at home, Mr. Fletcher said: "If we were to fly a plane load of British housewives over to Hong Kong and show them what is to be obtained in the way of food, clothing without coupons, and household equipment, it would cause a mass emigration from England." He pointed out that although undoubtedly there is overcrowding and discomfort in the Colony it does not compare with conditions under which the majority of people, including returned servicemen and newly married couples have to live in England.

"The sharing of house, the meagre daily diet, inefficient fuel and the difficulties of transport," he said, "are the lot of the people now at home. One has almost a sense of shame while shopping or eating here. Hong Kong should remember this and realise that exports from England which fill the shops are still part of the war sacrifice which England is paying."

PRICE CONTROLS

Additions and amendments to the price control schedule were gazetted yesterday, as follows:—
Beer: "Acme" pints Max. Wholesale Price \$1.20, Maximum Retail Price for consumption off the premises \$1.40, Maximum Retail Price for consumption on the premises \$1.70 per bottle.
Motor Vehicles, Motor Cars, Morgan 4/4 Four Seater \$2,500.00 each, Morgan 4/4 Two Seater \$2,000.00 each, Morgan P Super 3 Wheeler \$7,000.00 each, Morgan P Four Seater \$7,000.00 each, Chevrolet, Stylemaster Sedan \$3,490.00 each, Triumph 14 Saloon \$15,400.00 each.

The following items are deleted:—
Motor Cars, Chevrolet, Sport Sedan Maximum Retail Price \$9,980.00 each, Standard 8, Saloon \$3,940.00 each, Standard 14, Saloon \$10,350.00 each.
Motor Trucks, Chevrolet, Chassis with Cab Model 6403 \$10,420.00 each, and are substituted by the following:—
Motor Cars, Chevrolet, Fleetmaster Sedan Maximum Retail Price \$9,900.00 each, Standard 8, Saloon \$7,200.00 each, Standard 14, Saloon \$10,650.00 each.
Motor Trucks, Chevrolet, Truck 3 1/2 Ton Chassis with Cab Model 6403 \$11,710.00 each.

PRICE CONTROL ADVISORS

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Price Control Advisory Board to advise the Director of Supplies, Trade and Industry and the Price Controller on matters connected with price control.

Members of the Board are:—The Director of S.T. and I. (Chairman). The Price Controller (Deputy Chairman), Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. P. d'Almeida Remedios, Mr. Kwok Chan, Mr. P. K. Kwok, Mr. Yuen Heung-to, Mr. Chu King-man, Mrs. F. F. Ingram, and Miss P. Tse.

Sodium sulphide, in all forms and grades, has been added to the schedule of prohibited exports.



An extremely competent performance of "Unto Death," a complete incident in the early part of Edward Murphy's "The Scarlet Lily," the story of Mary of Magdala now being filmed in Hollywood, was put on this week by pupils of St. Mary's School, Kowloon. The entire cast of the play is seen above.

IN MEMORIAM

The following announcement appeared in a recent issue of "The Times" in London:—
"Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.—In proud remembrance of the Officers, N.C.O.s and Men of No. 3 (M.G.) Coy., Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, who died in the defence of the Colony.—Sandy."

Wedding

Lam-Dee

Two prominent Chinese families were united yesterday at St. John's Cathedral when Miss Juanita Dee, second daughter of the late Mr. Dee, became the bride of Mr. Daniel Lam, eldest son of Mr. Lam Chi-fong.

The bride arrived from Manila a month ago and brought with her her bridal gown and veil. She was dressed in a long white satin and lace dress with a cloud of tulle veiling with gauntlets to match. She was attended by Miss Diana Young as bridesmaid and by her niece as flower girl, both of whom were dressed in pale pink silk. The page-boy, the bridegroom's youngest brother, was dressed in black satin trousers and a white crepe de chine blouse.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the Hong Kong Hotel attended by over eight hundred guests. Speeches were made by the bridegroom's father, Mr. Lam Chi-fong, Mr. Paul Lyn and Mr. Tong Chong-wai. The seven-tiered wedding cake was cut by the happy couple and then in traditional Chinese custom the guests scrambled for a souvenir of the wedding.

Dean A. P. Rose officiated at the ceremony which was read in Chinese and in English.

Bad Booze?

Another seaman of the "Dover Hill," Robert O'Connor, 44, was arraigned before Comdr. Ryder in the Marine Court yesterday for wilfully remaining ashore after his ship sailed.

Mr. W. R. Hillyer, Deputy Shipping Master, prosecuting, said the case was similar to that of Fen-ton, who was cautioned by the Court the previous day. He came into his office in a dazed condition, enquired whether his ship had sailed, and then left again.

"There must be something wrong with the liquor steamer are getting in the Colony," said Mr. Hillyer.

O'Connor had a good record, and possibly he was not aware of what he was doing. Comdr. Ryder, convicting accused, said he could not but take a serious view of the offence. Having been in the service for so long he should know better than to go to disreputable places for drinks, and a fine of \$100 was imposed.

H.M.A.S. "BATAAN" ARRIVES

H.M.A.S. "Bataan," wearing the flag of Rear Admiral H.B. Farncomb, C.B., D.S.O., M.V.O. (Rear Admiral Commanding Australian Squadron) arrived in Hong Kong yesterday. "Bataan" is a "Tribal" class destroyer built in Australia and is commanded by Acting Capt. J. C. Morrow, D.S.O., D.S.C., R.A.N. She has been in Japanese waters and visited Shanghai for Christmas. She will leave Hong Kong on Tuesday for Australia, and will call at Manila en route.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Parcels, Hotel Arrivals—H.O. Don, Edward-Nelson, L.A. Jackson, Cde. S.W.T. Departed and Arr. and Arr. J. Earl-Owen. Parcels: Arrivals—M.D. Cline and L. Lomila.

Readers' Letters

"Flat Lux"

Sir,—Will Flat Lux, who occupied so much space in your publication today and who apparently interprets every obvious sign of nationalism and resentment on the part of Chinese nationalists here as being anti-British, enlighten me on the following:—

1. How does he come to the conclusion that the report quoted in his lengthy letter is anti-British propaganda?

2. How does he connect the Chinese Government with the quoted report, and his obvious anti-British hallucination?

3. What is his definition of anti-British?

Flat Lux opens his letter with: "It seems to me about time that some drastic action should be taken to curb the insidious anti-British propaganda."

To me it seems about time that some drastic action should be taken to curb people like Flat Lux from writing to the Press since it is obvious that he belongs to a group of people whose utterances are more likely to inspire and spread anti-British feelings than the incidents he has referred to.

HJY.

H.K. And Germany

Sir,—It is clear from English newspapers—from both reports of responsible individuals who have visited Germany, and from official Government admissions,—that conditions in Germany this winter are bad—very bad. No good can come of allowing children, who are too young to have contributed to the causes which brought about the present state of affairs, to go through the day on empty stomachs, ill clad and unshod, particularly in the present severe winter. That this has happened to some sections of our own people during the war years is no argument.

To tolerate the present plight of children in Germany is surely illogical for the professing Christian, and unwise for the non-Christian with its engendering of bitterness and revenge in the future.

Conscience in England have been roused and the Government has been prevailed upon to allow the English housewife, herself still faced with the same difficult problem of providing a varied and nourishing menu that has confronted her for the last seven years, to contribute some of the family "points" which then can be converted into supplies to Germany. It may also I believe now

be possible for an individual to send a parcel to an addressee in Germany, but this must affect few people.

If people in England, with rationing still in force, can spare a portion of their limited allowance to cost a much smaller amount of effort for the people of Hongkong to offer of their abundance. Apart from the problem of providing rice for the action of the community to whom this commodity is essential, which is outside, and is not affected by, the subject of this letter, there is apparently no difficulty in obtaining any normal item of food or drink in the Colony. Nor are the rigours of its winter unduly severe. I feel that many would be glad to show their gratitude for their fortunate position in Hongkong by helping to alleviate starvation elsewhere, if a means for so doing existed. May I for so doing exist.

Yours truly, Sir, if any of your readers know of suitable machinery for putting this into effect, or whether any suggestion could be offered from a knowledgeable source, e.g. through Government agency.

CONSCIENCE-STRIKEN.

Anti-T.B. Drive

Sir,—We are grateful for your article which appeared on your last Sunday issue on the anti-T.B. drive, and the hopes of our association, in combating tuberculosis which is taking such a heavy toll of lives in this Colony.

It may interest your readers to know that it was through the generosity of Sir Robert Ho Tung that we are now in a position to order a mass radiography unit which will be named "Ho Tung Mass Radiograph Unit" and we are grateful to have such a donation for the well being of the people of the Colony.

Our immediate aim, as stated in your esteemed article, is to build an association headquarters in which our clinics and working staff will be housed to carry on with concerted efforts the work of anti-tuberculosis. To this end, a fund of \$120,000.00 is to be raised. We look forward for friends and sympathisers of the association to extend their generous help towards this fund so that our immediate goal will be attained. We also hope that Government will contribute the land.

Those who wish to subscribe this worthy cause are kindly requested to send their contributions to our Hon. Treasurers, Mr. D. Ruttonjee, Shell House, Mr. S. J. Chen, Bank of China.

T. P. WU.

The Gazette contains a list of Masters, Mates and Engineers who have passed examinations and obtained Certificates of Competency.

Why POWs Were Not Allowed Tobacco

Col. Tokunaga Isao's fifth day under cross-examination by the Prosecuting Officer, Major G. B. Puddicombe, C.R.C., bogged down yesterday at No. 5 War Crimes Court to an adamant stand taken by the Japanese POW Camp Commandant that he had said "bags" and not "boxes" when giving evidence of arrival of Red Cross parcels by the "Tela Maru."

Tokunaga claimed that the interpreter had misquoted him and a portion of the court stenographer's transcript was read over to him. The Interpreters' Monitor and the advisory officer to the Defence, Capt. Kostloff, agreed that Tokunaga's original reference was to "boxes" and that he had later continued referring to "bags."

Following his submission on misinterpretation being overruled, Tokunaga asked that "boxes" be altered to "cans" and explained that the Red Cross parcels came in cans, bags which contained some four or five cardboard-packed parcels.

After more than a week in the witness-box during which period he kept stolidly looking in front of him, Tokunaga's attitude changed yesterday and he glanced about the Courtroom and occasionally smiled when emphasising a point to the Court.

Message in Tobacco

Questioned as to why he had not permitted tobacco into the POW Camps for a considerable period, Tokunaga said that while being interrogated at Stanley he had been presented with a copy of a letter addressed to him by a POW requesting that tobacco be allowed to enter the Camps. The letter predated his arrival in the Colony in January, 1942, he said.

Tobacco was not allowed in the Camps, he said, because a "secret message" had once been sent in a package of tobacco. Questioned by Major Puddicombe if the discovery of a secret message would automatically have meant that all parcels of a type in which a message was found would be stopped, Tokunaga said that messages often found on the wrappings around canned goods but that these were always removed before the parcel went in.

Tokunaga said that part of the "Tela Maru" consignment of parcels for POWs was sent to Japan, part of it was distributed at Shanghaioo, while some parcels went to prisoners at Stanley and one lot to prisoners at Canton. The latter

Smallpox During The Year 1946

In the twelve months January to December 1946 there were 2,003 cases of smallpox with 1,305 deaths or a 65 per cent death rate. The epidemic reached its highest point during November when 820 cases were reported. During December there was a steady fall in the number of cases week by week, the total for the month being 563 cases with 331 deaths.

Of the 2,003 cases recorded 1,032 were picked up dead from the streets, thrown out like refuse by relatives trying to avoid punishment for not informing the authorities. A further 315 were found which had been deliberately hidden. That is to say that of all the cases 67 per cent were not reported to the Health Authorities and more than half were not discovered until after death.

All the 1,347 cases had been spreading the infection for weeks before death or discovery. It is hardly surprising that there was a serious outbreak under those conditions. It is quite certain that if all cases had been reported at once many hundreds of lives could have been saved and many of the sufferers would never have got smallpox.

In order to find hidden cases it became necessary for the Health Department to search the whole Colony house by house. This searching is still going on and not only every house but every junk and sampan in the harbours will be searched until the disease is stamped out.

Vaccinations

A determined attempt was made to protect the whole population by vaccination. In all 1,525,105 vaccinations were done. The fact that the smallpox epidemic became less serious rather than more serious in December, when it might have been expected to do so, is probably largely due to the success of this effort.

The Colony is by no means safe from smallpox yet but the situation does show some definite signs of improvement, and the lessons regarding notification of cases of smallpox to the Health Authorities and the value of vaccinations are obvious.

One Way Of Earning A Living

(By "Paul Fry")

Competition for lucrative employment is hard to get in Hong Kong these days. One of the brightest ideas thought up by one individual seems to be bringing in the shekels by a means closely akin to black-mail and though anyone else in the world he would be promptly turned over to the Police, here in Hong Kong he has been getting away with it—so far, anyway.

The tools of trade are simple. One requires a drum, a piece of wood to hit it with, loud voice, an impertinent manner and an ability to sling repartee and abuse, as required.

Mothers operanti! Pick on a fairly prosperous store—say a provision-shop—with a fair amount of customers passing in and out. Take up a position right in the middle of the doorway, then bang the drum as hard and as rapidly as possible, meaning singling out for abuse.

Take no notice of shushing sounds from shop assistants, argue and fling back-chat when they do, and only move when abuse has been bestowed or on rare occasions, assault and battery seems imminent. The crowd which soon collects only adds to the fun.

Yesterday afternoon, I saw him "working" the south side of Des Voeux Road, near the Central Market. He visited 10 shops and drew "hush" money from nine of them! When last seen, he was still going strong in the direction of West Point. All the shops objected—but not one of them thought of calling in the Police.

APPOINTED

The following appointments, etc. were gazetted yesterday:—
Mrs. J. E. Fild to be a member of the Nurses Board.
Mr. J. B. Griffin K.C. to be Attorney-General.
Mr. G. E. Strickland to be Solicitor-General.
Mr. W. A. Jones to be Land Officer.

Dr. Yeo Kok-cheang to act as Deputy Director of Health Services.

Dr. P. F. S. Court to be a member of the Midwives Board.

Dr. (Miss) A. Sydenham to be a member of the Midwives Board.

Dr. (Miss) Cheng Hung-yue to be Supervisor of Midwives and Secretary to the Midwives Board.

In Brief

Mr. Ho Hung-kin, of the Kowloon Health Office, residing at No. 11, Beliran Road, and Miss Ruby Cheung, of No. 66, Nga Tsin Long Road, were married by Mr. J. M. Hall at the Registry, Supreme Court yesterday.

A representative of the Hong Kong Match Factory, Tokwa-wan Road, reports that some time during the early hours of yesterday a telephone (No. 56481), one wall clock, one cotton quilt, and 18 cabbies of pink dye were stolen from the premises.

Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 in E Flat "Eroica" will be the main work in the concert of recorded music to be presented at Talbot House (Toc H), 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30, this evening. The programme will also include:—Ballet Suite "Carnaval" by Schumann and Concerto Grosso in B Flat Major by Handel.

At the Non-Stop Variety Show given at the China Fleet Club on Tuesday, Jan. 7 by members of the Ship's Company of H.M.S. Belfast, assisted by members of H.M.S. Adiantum and the A.T.S., the sum of \$900 was raised. The proceeds were handed over to the Rev. George She towards his fund for Primary Education of Chinese Children.

A 18-year-old youth, who had taken a room at the Sun Wah Hotel, Connaught Road Central, late on Friday night under the name of Tam Shing-ling, was discovered in his room early yesterday morning suffering from typhoid poisoning. He was removed to hospital where his condition was reported as favourable.

With reference to the interviewing of Wong Loy, the 13-year-old boy who was wounded in the Shumshan, Shengshui, District shooting incident, while a patient in Kowloon Hospital, the Hon. D.M.S. regrets that the interest of patients and the prevention of carrying of infection into the ward has made it impossible to see any patient. The boy is progressing satisfactorily.



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Kotewall Testifies At Chiangs Trial Of Noma

"For six days and six nights we resisted all pressure exerted on us to cooperate with the Japanese," said Sir Robert Kotewall, who testified at yesterday's War Crimes Trial of Colonel Noma.

Sir Robert also said that three senior British officials later called on him and Sir Shouson Chow and requested them to cooperate with the Japanese authorities for the sake of the Chinese community.

When hearing was resumed yesterday morning, Major MacGregor read a number of Minutes of Meetings held by the Hong Kong Chinese People's Council, including the following which was a report by Sir Robert Kotewall of a meeting held on May 13, 1943:

"Confidential"

"With reference to the negotiations between the Representatives Council and the Gendarmes Dept. as requested by the People's Council's decision passed at the 104th Meeting held on 3rd inst., I made several appointments with Noma, the Gendarmes Chief, to meet the four representatives, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the People's Council, but unfortunately the Gendarmes Chief was so busy that it has not been successful. On 10th inst., I met Ichikawa, the Superintendent of Police of Gendarmes Dept. when I informed him that I was representing the two Councils. I then asked him whether there is any need for the Chief's warrant before any arrest is made.

The Supt. said that this cannot be done. No such procedure in Japan. If warrants are issued, they must go through a court. Once they go through a court, information may easily leak out. I asked if it was possible for the Gendarmes to be in uniform when making an arrest. The Supt. said that this is also impossible. Gendarmes making arrests are sometimes in uniform and sometimes in plain clothes, it all depends on the circumstances. If they must always be in uniform, it will only give the culprits chances to escape on sight of arresting party. This is not advisable. On the other hand, arrests are not usually made in houses; sometimes arrests are made in streets and sometimes suspects have to be enticed out of place before they are arrested. Anyhow, arrests must immediately be made as soon as instructions are received from superior officers.

I said that in that case, it is possible that people may be held by robbers at any time

Gendarmes were required to collect the people to be deported.

Li said he left the Co-operative Council in 1943 and went to Macao a year later. Before that, he had made application to leave the colony, but was not allowed to do so.

When it was put to Li that he would not have dared to make complaints to Noma which he saw him in 1943, at which time the Japanese Army was at its peak, Li said that the Japanese were always claiming to be winning the war until 1944, and that he actually did see Noma.

Kotewall in Box

Sir Robert Kotewall then entered the witness box and said that he was appointed Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Rehabilitation Committee at the beginning of 1942 by the then G.O.C. General Sakai.

Sir Robert said that two days after the fall of Hong Kong, he was taken down to the Hong Kong Hotel by an N.C.O. of the Japanese Gendarmes. He was then questioned along with other prominent Chinese by the Head of the Hing Ah Kwei Kwan (Asia Development Bureau). They were asked to co-operate with the Japanese authorities, but resisted all pressure for six days and six nights. They were allowed out under escort round about midnight.

Sir Robert said that on Jan. 1, 1942, six days after his first interview with the head of the Bureau, three senior British officials called on him and his former colleague, Sir Shouson Chow, in China Building. They were the Hon. Mr. R.A.C. North, who was then Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. (laterwards Sir Granville) Ainsworth, the Attorney-General, and the late Mr. J.A. Fraser, Defence Secretary.

These officials requested Sir Robert and Sir Shouson Chow to co-operate with the Japanese authorities for the sake of the Chinese, for at that time, or rather until the fall of Hong Kong, Sir Robert was the leader of the Chinese community here, representing them on the Executive Council of Hong Kong. Sir Robert said that the three officials gave as reason for their request that if he and Sir Shouson Chow were to stand by the Chinese, they could try to reduce their hardships and sufferings and at the same time protect their interests generally.

"Do not apply for favour on behalf of friends and relatives. I also know the usual custom of Hong Kong. When a person of standing is arrested, his relatives usually try all effort to approach another person of standing to ask for favour. During the rule of the British Government, negotiations and bribery may have happened. But it is definitely not the Japanese policy to arrest people without reason. When arrest is effected, thorough investigations are made to find out the truth and cases are never decided unless they are quite clear. If enquiries show not guilty, they will immediately be released without delay or inconvenience. It is like this in Japan and it should be the same in Hong Kong. Therefore, bribery and influential favour do not take place in Japan. It is particularly hoped that members of the two Councils should understand this point.

"Of recent years, the actions taken by Government in Hong Kong may not have been satisfactory as we might wish, but we have done our best to obtain improvements. During times of emergency and the progress of war, the Government sometimes cannot favourably consider applications from Chinese leaders. The administration appears to be strict, but this cannot be helped and should be excused. We should realise the situation of Hong Kong. If my service is needed, I shall try my best to do and hope that the people will earnestly trust the Government."

Rice Rations
Mr. Li Koon Chun, who was then called for cross-examination, said that rice ration certificates were issued to the number of persons reported by the District Bureau in the spring of 1942, when residential certificates were required, rice ration certificates were issued on the strength of residential certificates.

Speaking of repatriation, Li said that evacuation was at first voluntary and was in charge of the Chief of Civil Affairs. Afterwards, when it was made compulsory by the Government, the

Washington, Jan. 11.

Reports that Madame and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek are considering joining the Catholic Church were received with unequivocal disavowal in Catholic circles here today.

"President Chiang Kai-shek is not taking instructions in the Catholic faith," the National Catholic Welfare Conference head office here said.

A telegram it received from Nanking stated "the Generalissimo has always expressed an interest in the work of the Catholic Church in China and its affairs."

"But stories telling of his proposed entrance into the Catholic church are without foundation and have no basis in fact," the Welfare Conference state continued.

Madame Chiang was a Methodist at the time of her marriage and her husband, joined the Methodist church.

A spokesman for the Catholic Welfare Conference here said "Archbishop Paul Yu Pin at Nanking is a close acquaintance of Chiang Kai-shek and it is possible he may have explained the Catholic religion to the Generalissimo, but this does not mean that Chiang Kai-shek is planning to join the Catholic church."—Associated Press.

The Governor's meetings or at meetings with the head of the Civil Affairs Bureau, Ichiki, or with the head of the Gendarmes. When asked the name of the head of the Gendarmes, Sir Robert said that there were two of them. The first was accused, Noma. The other was Kanazawa. Sir Robert said that the members of the Rehabilitation Committee, with one exception, were appointed to either the Co-operative or the Representative Councils. Additional members were either recommended by the Councils or put in by the Government through the Secretary General, Tomari. Some of the members appointed by the Government were Japanese-speaking Chinese.

Functions Of C.R.C.

Sir Robert said that the functions of the Chinese Co-operative Council and those of the Representative Council were about the same in both cases, that is, acting as intermediaries between the Japanese Government and the Chinese community. The Co-operative Council represented more particularly the sections which their members represented, and the difference was that their representations had to go through the higher Council.

Sir Robert said that during the Japanese occupation he heard of two schemes for lessening the suffering of Hong Kong. One was about the middle of 1943 and the other about the beginning of 1945.

The first was that it was Government's intention to evacuate the unemployed and also vagrants and vagabonds and at the same time encourage as much as possible, with the assistance of the two Councils, the voluntary evacuation of Chinese who had no employment in the Colony.

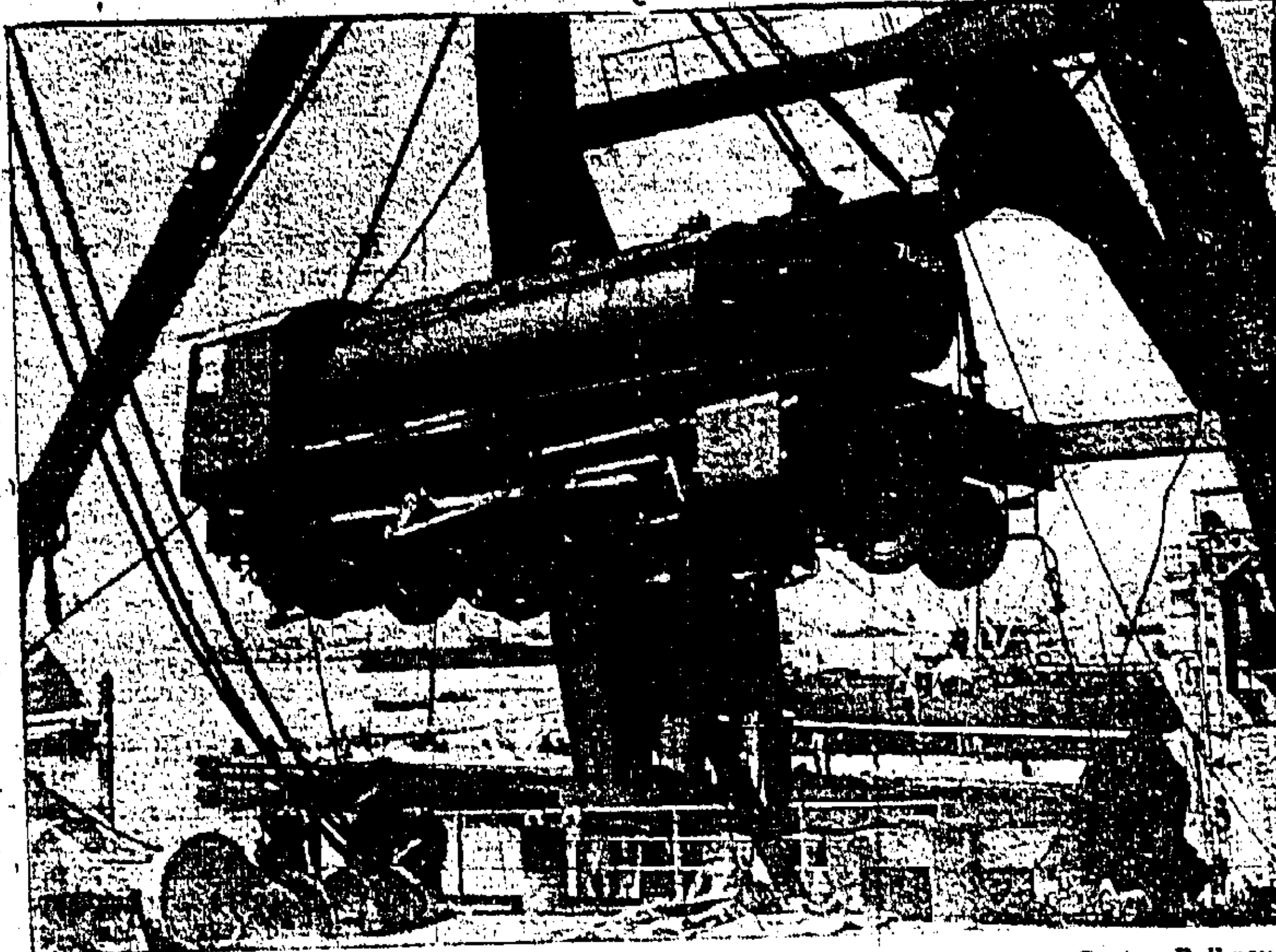
At a meeting of the Chinese Representative Council on Aug. 16, 1943, Sir Robert said that he personally received a copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Co-operative Council at which that morning, the minutes contained, among other things, an account of a discussion which the Co-operative Council had concerning the unsatisfactory manner in which the work of evacuation was being carried out.

Sir Robert said that he immediately convened a meeting of his own Council the same day and it was decided that they should make representations to the Governor at their regular meeting with him, which was to be held the next day or the day after.

Sir Robert was then shown a copy of the minutes, which he identified.

Continuing, Sir Robert said that as a result of the meeting, they brought to the notice of the Governor the various points raised by the Co-operative Council and at the same time they made certain suggestions and requests. Sir Robert said that at the first meeting of the Co-operative Council after the representations to the Governor, he went before the Council and gave them a list of their deliberations with the Governor.

A copy of the minutes of this meeting of the Co-operative Council (Continued on foot of next col.)



Three British locomotives, each weighing sixty-four tons, for the Kowloon-Canton Railway, arrived last week in the s.s. "BENVORLICH". The photograph shows the discharge from the "BENVORLICH" at Kowloon Wharves.

Money Mart

Gold stood itself yesterday and closed at \$320 a tael after opening at \$319. It had dropped to \$316.50 but quickly rallied.

All attention turned to Plaster once more with reports of a possible end of the fighting in Indo-China, and the effect on the money market was a jump from \$13.70 to \$14.50 per 100 yesterday.

Chinese National Currency dropped further in the case of futures which closed at 60 cents as against 64.1/2 cents the previous day. Some demand for spot kept the price at 90 cents (for CN\$1,000).

U.S. dollars had buyers at \$4.67. Sterling and Australian pounds were unchanged at \$14.90 and \$12.55 respectively.

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ATTEMPTED ILLEGAL EXPORT

Yau Kau, of the Wing Hing Firm, appeared before Mr. Sainsbury at Central Magistracy yesterday for attempting to export illegally 580 yards of white cotton cloth and 120 yards of khaki cotton cloth.

The maximum fine of \$2,000 was imposed and the defendants told that forfeiture would follow any subsequent offence.

ALL MUST VOTE

Canton, Jan. 11. Under the new National Constitution, every citizen is required to register as a voter, in order to elect Government officials by popular vote.

Deadline for registration in Kwangtung has been set for March 31 by the Commission of Civil Affairs of the Provincial Government.

An order has been issued to all magistrates that district Governments must provide the necessary registration forms and administer the oath to voters.—Our Own Correspondent.

Saw Noma

Sir Robert said that he saw Noma in 1942 or 1943 in regard to the arrest of people and the ill-treatment of people while in custody. Sir Robert said that he sometimes went along with an interpreter and sometimes he formed part of deputations.

Sir Robert said that he remembered going on one occasion with Sir Shouson Chow and Li Chung To, a member of the Co-operative Council, on another occasion he went with Li Koon Chun, Vice Chairman of the Co-operative Council. There might have been others.

Sir Robert said that the purpose of the deputations or conferences was to try and better the methods adopted in arresting people, and also obtain better treatment for people under detention.

His understanding at all times was that the work of evacuating people from Hong Kong was carried out by the Gendarmes.

Sir Robert concluded his examination-in-chief by stating that he could read Chinese. Hearing was then adjourned till 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Russian Approach To Norway On Spitzbergen

London, Jan. 10. Russia has approached the Norwegian Government for a revision of the 1920 Spitzbergen Treaty, which settled Norwegian sovereignty over Spitzbergen archipelago, 1,185 kilometers from the North Pole; it was officially stated in Oslo today.

A communique from the Norwegian Government stated that with Russia's consent the British, United States and French Governments were being kept informed.

While Dr. Einar Gerhardsen, Norwegian Premier, today refused to confirm or deny the reported Soviet request for military bases on Spitzbergen island, the largest archipelago which lies in the Arctic Sea between Norway and Greenland, he said treaty revision was under discussion.

Political quarters in all Norwegian parties have no doubt that a request for military bases has been put forward, Elizabeth Kitson, Reuters Oslo correspondent, reported.

Special Interests

The British Foreign Office spokesman said he was in a position to confirm that the Soviet Government had in recent months asked the Norwegian Government for permission to establish a military base in Spitzbergen. The British view was that the matter was one for Norway and the Soviet Union, except insofar as it affected the 1920 treaty.

The Norwegian Government communique today said that discussions between the Soviet Union and Norway were held in 1944 and 1945, both parties agreeing that alteration in the 1920 treaty could not be made without the agreement of all signatories, apart from ex-enemy states.

Although Russia had special interests she had not taken part in the original treaty. Russia adhered to the treaty in 1925 in which year Norway took possession of the islands. The original treaty was signed by Britain, the United States, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Italy, France, Holland and Japan.

Reply To U.S.

Article IX of the treaty on establishment of military bases says: "Subject to the rights and duties resulting from the admission of Norway to the League of Nations, Norway undertakes not to create or allow the establishment of any naval bases or territories specified and not to construct any fortifications in the said territories which may never

Port Hole Purliners

A Chinese constable on duty near Tai Wan beach at about noon on Friday saw some Chinese on board a wrecked ship lying high and dry on the beach. He reported to Hung Hom Police Station, and Insp. Rogers went with a party to investigate. On boarding the ship the Police found Lau Cheung and Man Shing taking off the vessel's portholes with spanners and chisels.

When Lau and Man were charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday, Insp. Rogers stated that there have been numerous reports of "losses" running into hundreds of dollars, from wrecked ships. The ship in question is a Soviet vessel which was bombed during the Japanese occupation.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed on each accused.

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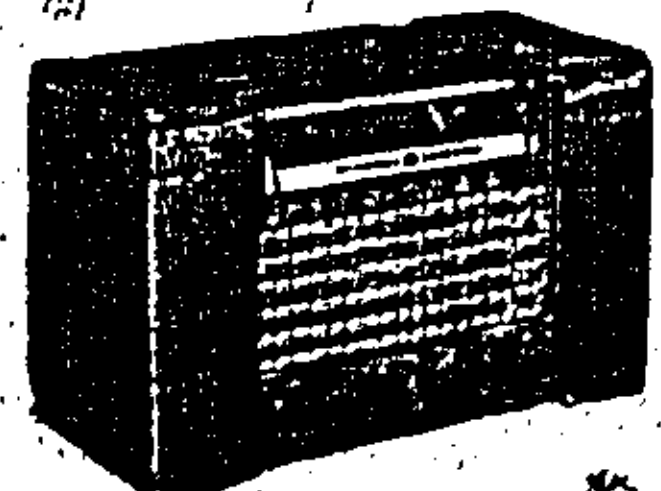
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DEATH

VASILIEVA, MISS ALEVTINA (ALIA)—On Jan. 11 at the Kowloon Hospital. The funeral service will be held today (Sunday) at the William Nodes Funeral Parlour, 216, Wanchai Road. The cortege will pass the Monument at 4 p.m.

OUTRAGE AND POLICY

A gloomy round of outrages, curfews, searches, and arrests has been resumed in Palestine. The resumption follows upon the kidnapping and flogging of British officers and British N.C.O.s by the Jewish terrorists in reprisal for the sentence of flogging duly pronounced and executed upon a young Jew found guilty of participation in a bank robbery. This outrage—so the terrorists declare—will be followed by others; and its repetition will not be discouraged by the victory at the Zionist Conference in Basle of what has become an anti-British section of Jewry. A very deep responsibility rests upon this section—mostly composed of American Jews—for the combined ignorance and virulence of their attitude. Quite apart from the fact that they grossly malign the British, who have been the most fair and consistent friends the Jews have ever had, they are inviting a renewal of the anti-Semitism which has had such serious consequences for their race. It is not the slightest use for the Basle Conference to condemn terrorism when its majority also endorses the aims and views animating the terrorists.

The case against the terrorists and their sympathisers could not be put better than was done by a spokesman of the Jewish Agency in London a week ago. "The British Empire is not endangered by the acts of the Jewish terrorists, but the future of the Jewish people may well be. The terrorist groups have no conception of the rancour they let loose when they attack the pride of an army in this way. There is a terrible truth in this last sentence, which may best be expressed by saying that it is intolerably unfair to expose our troops in Palestine any longer to attack with no policy to defend. For the idea of evolving something from the adjourned London Conference is no longer a policy, if it ever was one. Suppose that the section of Zionists who favour participation should attend when the Conference resumes; and suppose that their attendance did not cause the restive Arabs to stay away; even then, there would not be the slightest chance of securing agreement between them. It is the clear duty of the Government—owed to the British forces in Palestine above all—to state and stick to a policy without further delay. Too much time and too many chances have been lost already. Let reasonable Arabs be given some finality. Let reasonable Jews be given something they can show as the reward of reason. Let the sorely tried British soldier have cause to feel that he is in Palestine for some other purpose than to be the plaything of fanatical hooligans.

This process can be arrested gradually, as we have found in Britain, by increasing the amenities of country life, and, above all, by improving the returns of the farmers and increasing the wages of the land labourers. The Co-operative Movement is weak throughout America. Its extension would be particularly beneficial in the rural districts and would help to check the drift from country to city.

Top Heavy

In the meantime, the cities are becoming top heavy, rural workers are getting scarce and, as an immediate remedy, there is a demand for industrialisation. The old Latin American economy of producing minerals, foodstuffs, raw materials, and other primary products and exchanging them with Europe or the United States for manufactured goods, is considered out of date.

This industrialisation need not alarm us in Britain. During the nineteenth century we saw the same process in France, Germany, the Low Countries, and, indeed, most of western Europe. The result was a rising standard of living, an improved market for goods, including foreign goods, and an increase in international trade. But we will need flexibility in our marketing methods, and must be quick to meet the new demands.

Everywhere I found a real desire to do business with Britain and a great demand for British goods. The complaint, in fact, was that we were not sending in enough British goods, and I heard President Peron, of Argentina, in explaining the Five Year Plan of his Government to the Parliament, say that in future ships

which arrived empty would have to leave empty.

Latin America Goes Left

My wife and I have returned from visits to Mexico, Central America, Peru, Chile and the Argentine. A succession of Tory Peers and ex-M.P.s have recently been in the Argentine, Brazil and Chile; but I believe I am the first Labour Member of Parliament to reach any of these important republics since the end of the second World War.

We were left in no doubt of the friendliness of the welcome extended to us just because we belonged to the governing party in Britain.

While the United States has been swinging to the Right, Latin America is swinging to the Left. And, perhaps as a consequence of this, or possibly the cause, there is much apprehension and fear of the future.

By LORD STRABOLGI

In the Union north of the Rio Grande, but hope and confidence south of it among the widely differing nations of Central and South America.

In all the republics from Mexico right down to Cape Horn, the Progressives are not only in the ascendant but are claiming to model their present and future policy on our own British Labour programme.

Even in formerly ultra-Conservative Peru, the present Government rests on a Left Centre Party which calls itself Labour. Mexico, Uruguay and Chile are ruled by parties and Governments which can fairly be described as Latin American equivalents of the British Labour movement.

Agreement

In Chile and the Argentine the move away from Conservatism has expressed itself in recent general and Presidential elections. In the smaller republics of the north, notably Bolivia, the movement to the Left has been revolutionary and violent.

Though there are widely differing policies with regard to the nationalisation of industry, there is general agreement on the need for social insurance, and a surprising knowledge of the Beveridge plan and of the great system of social insurance carried through by Jim Griffiths.

In the more developed States there are the beginnings of an economic revolution, forced by an unhealthy drift from the country into the towns. The tendency is for the Latin American farmers to regard their holdings as a means of making enough money as rapidly as possible to enable them to retire into the cities. Thus, out of a total population of 8,000,000 in Peru, 1,000,000 live in Lima, the capital. Out of 14,000,000 in the Argentine, nearly 4,000,000 live in greater Buenos Aires.

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Irgun Bombs In Italy

Rome, Jan. 10. Two Irgun Zvat Leumi leaflet "bombs" exploded in Italy today—one in Rome and the other in Venice.

The Rome "bomb" exploded near the Palace of Justice on the banks of the Tiber, sending a shower of leaflets into the air.

The leaflets said: "The vanguards of the clandestine Jewish Army of Liberation with headquarters in Italy mean to destroy the British forces until the Jewish State is restored within the historic boundaries of our country."

The Venice "bomb" was wrapped in a small packet left by a young man near the British Embassy Press Office. Reuter.

The extraordinary riches of all these countries, and especially the three leading republics of Brazil, Argentine and Chile, have to be seen to be believed.

Cheap Food

All foodstuffs are abundant and cheap. Meat is 2d. a pound and available in any quantity. It is still legal for a hungry man to kill a steer in the country districts of the Argentine and consume the meat; but he must leave the hide hanging up for the landowner. The leather is worth more than the beef.

The Argentine is at the present time the most important of the South American republics, from the British point of view. One-third of the population is of Italian origin, and the second biggest racial group are the British, of whom there are approximately 50,000 in Buenos Aires alone. They are admired and respected, but not loved, because they keep themselves very much to marry among themselves, and maintain their British conceptions, customs and language. Some still speak of the Argentines as "natives".

We were guests in the Argentine Parliament on October 21, when the President outlined the Five Year Plan of his Government. All visitors were closely scrutinised and the police were inclined to be suspicious of my wife's handbag, but were soon reassured.

The Chamber was crowded, and I confess to a touch of envy when I saw that the deputies could smoke on the floor of the House. Also every Deputy has a desk, and on it is a vote recorder. Yes, No, or Abstain, which certainly avoids that time-wasting tramp through the division lobbies which is such a feature of our British Parliament.

Boycott

The Opposition, 68 in number, out of a total of 164, boycotted the proceedings. The Opposition, consisting of Conservatives, Liberals and Left Wing Socialists, turned up the next day, however, and offered plenty of criticism of the Plan and much else.

The most interesting part of the Five Year Plan from my point of view as a Socialist was the proposal that in companies remaining under private enterprise the profits over a certain amount are to be put into a fund for the purchase of the shares for distribution to the workers in the industry with some years' service to their credit.

By this means the workers which I presume includes the technicians and managers, will gradually become the majority shareholders, with control of policy. And I noticed that the greatest applause followed an attack on the old board of management of the Central Bank which had apparently been sabotaging progressive legislation. "This had a familiar ring."

That Latin America has a great future is beyond doubt; and we British can have good friends and customers there if we go the right way about it.

YOUNG NAZIS

Vienna, Jan. 10. Five young people aged between 17 and 22 were each sentenced to ten years' penal servitude for scribbling swastikas and Nazi threats on the walls of buildings in Warburg.

A sixth culprit, 17-year-old Elizabeth Erdi, a member of a secret Nazi Union, was given five years' close arrest—Reuter.

London, Jan. 10. That she blows. Where? In my tummy. Have just sent it half a pound of choice whale meat—the first ever to be sold as food in England. We always knew we would get to it of course. In this ravaged country where serious discussions go on in the correspondence columns of "The Times" about how to stew squirrels, it was a cinch the Ministry of Food would begin coveying 80-ton whales.

After all you can only get a few hundred pounds of meat from a hog or a steer. But a whale? That is really tonnage on the hoof—or fin. So a licence was issued to import some of the frozen stuff from Norway and in due time this correspondent queued at that fishmonger's.

The supply was going fast—helped by a strike of meat truck drivers. When he wrapped my package the fishmonger said to cook it like roast beef and that it had a slight oily but not unpleasant taste.

It was right. It had faint overtones of herring but was otherwise substantial and apparently nutritious. And who am I to complain after wartime essays in snails, rabbits, frogs, squirrels, horse meat and a few items about which I decided not to question restaurant chefs too closely.

The Ministry of Food said the first day's trial indicated that whaling ships now in the Antarctic had equipment aboard for making "wham"—unofficial name for the stuff prepared from whale meat.

But little did I know when I read "Moby Dick" that someday I would eat him.—United Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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DO NOT ALWAYS RUFF

Considered just of itself, an opportunity to win a trick by trumping a lead of some other suit is most welcome. It is the only way a declarer can take a trick with a single trump while he has trumps in both his hands, and so constitutes an economy of his resources. There are times, however, when other factors are of more importance than the ruffing of that particular trick, factors which indicate the advisability of discarding a loser on it and letting the defenders have the trick.

SK 1054 HA 52 H 10 8 7 D A 9 4 C J 9 8 S A 9 8 6 3 2 W E H K 3 D J 8 C 7 4 3 S None H Q 9 6 4 D K Q 10 7 3 C A K 10 5

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable).

East South West North Pass 1D Pass 1NT 2S 3H 3S 4H

South's second bid—a higher suit "reverse" at the level of three, after his partner's very modest response of 1-NT Trump—would have been made by very few players except those of pretty high rank, who thought they could outplay their opponents. But it should have paid off with an otherwise unattainable game. Only South's

failure in the play prevented its accomplishing that.

West led his spade 4, the J forcing the A and South ruffing with the heart 4. South's second trump was used up when he led the Q to the K, and his third trump went then by leading the 10 to the A. Wide-open now in trumps, he had to let West capture the spade K, and the later trick lost in clubs set his contract. It was sorry play by South.

All that he had to do to make his contract was discard the club 5 on the spade 6 return at the third trick. West, winning with the K, would then have set up the dummy's Q to use later for a discard of the club 10. With the defence then having two spade tricks in hand, it could have got only one more, with the heart A, and the contract would have been brought safely into port.

Tomorrow's Problem

SA Q 7 5 H T 5 D 10 7 6 C Q 9 8 3

S 6 4 2 H Q 9 8 6 3 D Q 5 4 C K 5

S J 10 9 H A K 4 D A J 3 C A J 10 4

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable).

What fundamental of No Trump play should guide South into a safe game here after West leads the heart 6 to the 10?

U.N.O. AND TRIESTE

Lake Success, Jan. 11. The United Nations Security Council agreed to take over administration of the free territory of Trieste.

Australia abstained from voting. Australian delegate Norman Alkin said that his country still objected to the legal aspects of the agreement but would abstain in the final ballot.

The Council's action removes the last obstacle in the signing of the Italian peace treaty.—Associated Press.

Smertenko Insists On Trying

Paris, Jan. 10.

Professor Smertenko, Vice-President of the American Committee for a Free Palestine, who has been forbidden by the British Home Office to reenter Britain, announced today that he was returning to London on Sunday morning.

"My purpose in going there at this time is precisely what it was when I first went to Britain more than 14 months ago," he declared. "It is to convince the British people and Government that it is possible to arrive at a reasonable, just and permanent solution of the Palestine problem, and that the fate of more than 2,000,000 people depends upon immediate action in that direction."

Professor Smertenko complained that the ban was based on the "grotesque and deliberate distortion" in London papers of the statement he made on his return from the continent last month.—Reuter.

FROM BEVIN TO BYRNES

Washington, Jan. 10.

"We have often been together during these past 18 months since Potsdam and I shall miss you," said the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in a telegram to Mr. James F. Byrnes, the U.S. retiring State Secretary. He said he wished to express "real personal sorrow."—Reuter.

BY THE WAY

By BEACHCOMBER

In the case of those prefabricated houses which have been built back to front, local authorities (in touch with authoritative spokesmen in official quarters) are being empowered to compel the tenants to cultivate a backwards walk when entering the house from the wrong side. This can be helped by wearing the hat back to front, or sideways if entrance is to be made through a side wall. So that all will know whether they are coming or going on dark nights, small rear lights will be fixed to the front of each hat or cap.

Butcher Sells Towel-

Horse As Lamb

Mr. Justice Cocklecarrot administered a stern rebuke yesterday to a woman who was charged with stealing three large girders from a partially built fishworks. The woman, Dora Smoke, pleaded that she needed the steel for corsets. "How many pairs?" asked Cocklecarrot. "Three hundred gross," replied Miss Smoke. "If everybody did this," said Cocklecarrot, "there would be no steel left for industrial purposes." "Maybe not," retorted the defendant, "but women would get proper corsets." "What about whalebone?" queried Cocklecarrot. "You can't build houses or factories with whalebone," said Miss Smoke. There followed a silence filled with frustration.

Thoughts On The Quiz

Take warning, cash public. If you go on much longer getting involved in all these quizzes and brain trusts and questionnaires, your so-called minds will become a crawling mass of miscellaneous information, which you will be unable to digest. And you will be more noisome prigs than you are at present.

Ordinary conversation will soon be affected by all this fiddlemeere and foddemeere. When two people sit next to each other one will say: "Who introduced raisins into Sweden?" And the other will reply: "I don't know, but a bear's front paws are larger than his hind paws." Then a third party will join in with: "How do you do? Where does the colery fly deposit its eggs? Alternatively, of course, Mazzini was (a) a pianist, (b) a statesman."

107 per cent thought that a blizzard was the inside of a turkey and that a nasturtium was a monk.

Dr. Rhubarb's Corner

G. S. writes: Four times in 12 hours my brother, who is an accountant, has got his nose caught between the pedals of our pianoforte. Is there an easy and painless way to withdraw it?

Dr. Rhubarb replies: Ask me, rather, how on earth your brother, who is an accountant, ever got into such a quandary. Tell him that if he works the pedals with his feet this is unlikely to happen again. Does he, by any chance, stand on his head when he plays?

Question Time

Is the Minister aware that not all the mice in ships are there by chance?

The question, asked by Mrs. Vcbbie, drew an angry answer from Mr. Ploofor. Said Mr. Ploofor, "Mice can be in ships for many reasons." (Cries of "Smuggling! Black market!") Mr. Tiddeforth was heard to scream, "Are we sunk so low that we have to import mice?" Mrs. Slater then asked why mice could not be brought in by plane. Nobody paid the smallest attention to her, as Mr. Teargarden was saying that it applied to export as well as import. Mr. Zazer then asked why what was not so could not be stated. The Minister concluded by saying that, as far as his information went, mice had not been deliberately introduced into ships, except as an emergency measure.

Curiously Enough

A story about a librarian who found a piece of bacon-rind inserted in a book as a marker recalled to me the well-known anecdote about the absent-minded Rossett, breakfasting one day with Carlyle. Rossett was in one of his absent-minded moods, and was reading a book. Every time Carlyle interrupted him, he used a bit of rasher to mark his place. Finally Carlyle said, "Take care! You're eating that egg, you absent-minded fellow." Rossett at once laid down his fork and placed the remains of the egg between pages 244 and 225. Carlyle had to get more breakfast cooked.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

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MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

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Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such members to be responsible for all chits, etc.

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PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 per day, including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

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By Order,

C. H. BROWN,

Secretary.

U.S. BASES IN PACIFIC

Committee Report Advocates Retention

Imperative For U.S. Defence

Washington, Jan. 11.

A House Naval Subcommittee grimly advised the United States to hold and man a farflung chain of "stepping stone" bases in the Pacific—among them the Japanese mandated islands—against the possibility of war.

"If these islands are undefended they could become stepping stones onto our continental shores," declared the three-man subcommittee returned from a survey of Pacific bases.

The committee's formal report to Congress contained but a single reference to the United Nations, saying merely that "many matters will be settled on an international plane," by that organization. Nor did they mention at all the United Nations Trusteeship Council or the possibility that any or all of the islands may be placed under its supervision as has been proposed in some quarters.

Instead, it said at one point that island air strips could be maintained at a low cost "using facilities supervised by military Government personnel."

In many respects the new demands for the retention of Pacific bases by the United States duplicated those of more than a year earlier. But the committee's newly-logged report came after the crystallization of the Trusteeship Council proposals within the framework of the United Nations.

New War

Spurred through the new report were repeated references to the possibility of a new war in the Pacific.

"Of our own bases which at great cost we recaptured," it declared, "only this can be said: 'If they were that important to the aggressor, they are many times more valuable to our security now that we have them.'"

Strong Points

The report re-emphasized previous reports that peace and security in the Pacific depend on U.S. control of Japanese mandated islands, especially the Carolines and Ryukyus.

Specific instructions were: Wake—should be maintained as an airbase but not a fortress; Marcus—important only as an advanced airbase with its use in commercial aviation.

Eastern Carolines—continued occupation to prevent falling into the hands of a potential enemy.

Yap Islands—valuable only as emergency landing stops; Ponape—strategic support base.

The subcommittee reported that a military plan to maintain a line of communications across the mid-Pacific would be built around two strong points, Hawaii and Guam, with minor bases as either outposts or connecting links. The second line would extend through the Aleutians.—United Press.

Remain Strong

Cleveland, Jan. 11.

The United States will remain "militarily strong" until the United Nations is a going business, Navy Secretary James V. Forrestal said in an address before the Council on World Affairs.

Then, he said, "It will devote such portions of its military power as is appropriate and necessary to give effective force to the sanctions of that organization."

Forrestal declared that "the United States will not withdraw its interest or its influence from either Europe or Asia."—Associated Press.

Rioting Flares-Up In India

Bombay, Jan. 10.

The police opened fire eight times today in Bombay to prevent communal clashes or to stop stone-throwing.

Nineteen people were stabbed, two of them fatally, in the city today.

Three cases of arson, including the burning of a firewood depot, were also reported.

Nine people have died from stabbing in the new outbreak of rioting in the mill area in north Bombay during the 24 hours ending early today. In addition, 110 were injured. The number of persons arrested was 72.

In Calcutta, 12 people were injured and 125, including 30 women, were arrested when the police today broke up minor disturbances outside Government offices during the one-day general strike of Government of India civil servants, joined by some Bengal Government employees.—Reuter.

BORDER CLOSED

Athens, Jan. 10.

The Foreign Ministry said today that Turkey had closed the Greek frontier to prevent fleeing guerrillas from crossing her border.—United Press.

SCUTTLE APPEAL

Rome, Jan. 11.

What appeared to be a veiled appeal to Italian sailors to sink their warships before surrendering them to the World War II victors came yesterday from Navy veterans of Rome.

In an "order of the day" the veterans urged the sailors "not to consent to the shame of seeing fly over the ships a banner that is not Italy's."—Associated Press.

INVITE TO ARABS

Jerusalem, Jan. 10.

The Palestine Higher Committee was today officially invited by Sir Henry Gurney, Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, to send a delegation to the Palestine Conference, when it is resumed in London.

Jemal Hussein, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, said that he now considered that the cause preventing the participation of Palestine Arabs had been removed.

"Their attendance had been impeded by the Government's former 'intervention' in the right of Arabs to choose their own delegates," he said.

The Higher Committee will meet on Sunday to consider its reply to the invitation and to select its delegates.—Reuter.

Wife Delighted In "Confessions"

London, Jan. 11.

The opinion that a village school headmistress mentally tortured her schoolmaster husband throughout the years of their married life was expressed by Mr. Commissioner Shove when deciding a divorce suit which occupied four days at Lincoln Assizes.

Granting a decree nisi to the husband, Mr. William Rickleton, of Vernon-street, Lincoln, a master of the City School, Lincoln, on the ground of cruelty, he described the wife, Mrs. Grace Rickleton, of Tosside, Skipton, Yorks, formerly of Yarrowburgh-road, Lincoln, as "a vain woman who had taken delight in boasting and vaunting her invented conquests and of making bogus confessions of adultery to her husband."

An allegation of adultery made by Mr. Rickleton failed on the finding that he connived at it. Discretion was exercised in the husband's favour.

Charles Joseph Cooper, an Army warrant officer, who was stationed in Rome when the papers were served, was cited as co-respondent, and Miss Eileen Salt, of Cross O'Cliff Hill, Lincoln, secretary of the City School, Lincoln, was named as intervener.

Mrs. Rickleton spoke of having been the principal actress in scenes at which her husband and her alleged partner in adultery were present.

Letters which she wrote, said the Commissioner, proved her to be of abnormal inclinations, and, if her word was true, of a depravity the like of which he had never before encountered.

Prone To Imagination
Such persons were prone to envisage themselves in the most fantastic scenes, and to serve their own purposes they would not hesitate to project those scenes on to other persons.

The Commissioner said he was not satisfied that she was described by Mrs. Rickleton ever took place, or that her husband was over a party to such degrading practices.

It was not denied that Mrs. Rickleton committed adultery with a man called Cooper. In 1930 Cooper, with the sanction of Mr. Rickleton, who did not then know of a guilty association, stayed in the house on his leave.

Mr. Rickleton admitted that during that visit he knew there was a guilty association between Cooper and his wife.

Didn't Care
He said: "It was not with my consent. I did not ask my wife if she had done her duty to Cooper. I asked her if she had committed adultery. I was worn down, and down, and I got to the stage where I didn't care."

He also stated: "I said to Cooper, 'Don't take my wife from me.' That she undressed was her doing. I didn't care; I wanted to save the marriage."

The Commissioner found no proof that Mr. Rickleton then did anything directly to conduce in the sense of encouraging the adultery. At the end of a third visit Mrs. Rickleton discovered that Cooper was married and sent him off.

Mr. Rickleton admitted adultery on one occasion. His wife said that on at least two nights during the visits of Cooper in June 1930, she slept in one room with Cooper and Mr. Rickleton slept in another room with Miss Salt.

Mr. Rickleton declared he was distressed and got talking to Miss Salt. He unburdened his soul to her until, in the early hours, she tried to rest and eventually fell asleep.

The Commissioner was not satisfied that any adultery took place between Mr. Rickleton and Miss Salt except on the one occasion admitted.

Mrs. Rickleton said she broke off her association with Cooper, but in 1943 she told her husband that if he would not give up Miss Salt she would start corresponding with Cooper again.

"A Vain Woman"
A shameless and degrading correspondence took place in 1944 between Cooper and Mrs. Rickleton, said the Commissioner. He thought Mr. E. M. Mallison, for the husband, had not put it too highly when he had said that the only inference was a promise to resume an adulterous association with Cooper as soon as opportunity afforded.

He was satisfied that Mr. Rickleton connived at the first adultery in the secure that he acquiesced by taking no steps to prevent it.

Bogus
Some of the most material acts of cruelty were bogus confessions of adultery and in relation to these the Commissioner said that Mrs. Rickleton was a vain woman.

Once she said she had committed adultery with a "common soldier" who carried parcels home for her.

The Commissioner was satisfied that by her conduct Mrs. Rickleton produced mental agony in her husband's mind, and that some things had been done with the deliberate intention of humiliating him.

Mrs. Rickleton was entitled to costs, but would have to pay the costs of the intervener.

£12,000 Party For Deb

London, Jan. 10.

The Daily Mirror said today: "The world's most pampered girls—American debutantes—are causing the biggest riot of extravagance seen in America since before the war."

The Mirror said the joke about the lavish parties given for debutantes coming out is that they are "introduced" to people already her friends because only members of her parents' social set are invited.

"New York society is today recovering its breath from a £12,000 (about \$48,000) party thrown by Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Dresselhuys for launching their attractive daughter, Lorraine," the Mirror said.

"The Dresselhuys party was rivalled by one given by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Widener for their daughter, Ella, in Philadelphia," the Mirror added.—United Press.

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The Main Characters In The Story

AMBER ST. CLARE, illegitimate daughter of noble blood, who is brought up in a small village by foster-parents. She grows into a ravishing beauty, and in the village one day in the year 1660 she meets—

BRUCE, LORD CARLTON, a cavalier, with whom she falls in love. Amber persuades Carlton to take her to London with him. Eventually Carlton leaves for the Indies to repair the family fortunes lost in the Civil War. Amber is desolate. She finds herself with child and marries a man who eventually disappears with all the money Carlton had left her. All alone, Amber gets into debt and is thrown into Newgate Gaol, where she suffers every degradation. In order to ease her lot she gives herself to a notorious highwayman, who plans their escape. The highwayman is eventually hanged, Amber then goes on the stage because she learns that actresses cannot be arrested.

She meets Captain Rex Morgan, a gallant from the Court, who falls madly in love with her. While Amber is his mistress she is summoned by the King and favours him. Rex Morgan is furiously jealous, but forgives her.

Then Bruce Carlton returns. He and Amber go to see their son, who is being cared for by a foster-mother. Rex Morgan hears of her love affair with Carlton and challenges him to a duel. Rex is killed. Bruce once again sails away. The duel throws an aura of notoriety over Amber and she finds great favour with the Court gallants. Her only real friend is the **EARL OF ALMSBURY**, who was with Carlton when he first met Amber.

Somewhere, decided Amber, among those gallants of the Court; somewhere in London, there must be a man who would fall in love with her, who would give her what she wanted. To be famous, admired, desired, and—most of all—loved. But believing she was pregnant again and feeling ill at ease in mind and body, she decided to go to Tunbridge Wells to take the waters. In the coach she rode with Nan, her maid, and Tansy, the black-moored boy Bruce had given her as servant, in sullen silence. They were nearing their destination when they stopped of a sudden. Jeremiah, the coachman, opened the door and announced "It's a gentleman, mam, who's been stopped by highwaymen and his horses taken."

Is He Rich?

Amber made a face. "Well, ask him if he wants to ride with us. But tell him we're only going to the Wells."

Samuel Dangerfield was perhaps 60, though his skin was clear and smooth and fresh-coloured. His hair was white, not curled. Handsome, over 6ft., erect. His clothes were old-fashioned, but of fine materials. "Good afternoon, madame. It's very kind of you to invite me into your coach," he said to Amber. And gave his name.

At the fashionable spa of Tunbridge Wells, Amber and Dangerfield parted at the inn she had chosen, and she promptly forgot him. But later she mused: "I wonder if Mr. What-dye-call—who had his horses stolen—is rich enough to bother with."

At The Wells

It was then that Nan, her maid, came in tempestuously. "I found out from my young footman that Mr. Samuel Dangerfield is one of the richest men in England," announced Nan. "Two hundred thousand pound, or something like that. John says everybody knows how rich he is. He's a merchant and he's..."

"Two hundred thou... Is he married?" demanded Amber as her wits began to revive. "No," answered Nan. Then: "He's just getting ready now to go down to the wells."

Amber suddenly flung back the covers and began to get out of bed. "I think I'll go and drink some waters myself. Get out my green velvet gown with the gold braid and the green cloak." And so began her daily meetings with the rich City merchant... and widower.

She invited Mr. Dangerfield to dine with her at her inn. For the occasion, she wore a black velvet gown with white lace collar and cuffs. "To give her a maidenly air," she told Nan. It was not long before they were spending hours out of every day together.

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No Progress

But Amber insisted in turn that she hated young fellows who were so silly and empty-headed. She often asked him to advise her about financial matters. She mentioned her goldsmith, Shadrac Newbold, and was glad to see how favourably impressed he seemed.

She played for him on her guitar and sang ballads. But at the end of three weeks he had not tried to seduce her and she was growing worried.

She stood at the window one evening just after he had gone and traced idle patterns on the frosted pane with her finger-nail. Her lower lip stuck out and there was a scowl on her forehead.

Nan, who was lifting hot embers out of the fireplace with a pair of tongs and putting them into a silver warming-pan, glanced sideways at her. "Something amiss, mam?"

Amber swung around, giving a patulant swish to her skirt. "Yes, there is! Oh, Nan, I'm ready to run distracted! Three weeks I've been courting this fellow and haven't caught him yet!"

Nan closed the warming-pan and started into the bedroom with it. "But he's getting winded, mam. I know he is."

Amber followed her in and began to undress, but her face was gloomy and from time to time she gave an impatient ill-tempered snarl. It seemed to her that she had been trying all her life to make Samuel Dangerfield propose to her.

"Lord, mam!" she protested now. "You've got no cause for such vapouring! I know those formal old Puritans I've worked in their house. Why, I'd bet my virginity he hasn't laid with any woman gave his wife these 20 years past! Heavens, give the gentleman leave to overcome his modesty! And what's more, don't forget you've gone to the greatest pains to make him take you for a woman of virtue. But I've watched him like a witch and I know he's nightly uneasy—there's fire in the flax and I'll be quenched."

She added with a sage nod. "Only give him the right opportunity and you'll have him—secure as a woodcock in a noose." She made her two hands into a trap and put them about her own neck.

While Amber stepped out of her smock Nan whisked the warming-pan over the sheets, held back the covers and Amber jumped in, pulling them up quickly about her chin. Then she lay there, in luxurious warmth and considered her problem.

This was, and she knew it, her last chance to take the world by its ears and climb on top. If she failed now—but she could not fail. She did not dare. She had seen too much at first hand of what happened to the women who, like her, made a livelihood by their wits and physical attractions but who had somehow let the years and the opportunities pass without achieving security.

Somewhat, somehow, she thought desperately, I've got to do it; I've got to make him marry me!

And as she lay there thinking, it occurred to her all at once that perhaps she had been wrong, trying to make him marry her out of remorse and a sense of guilt. Why, she thought, with a sudden feeling of discovery, that would never enter his head! Of course he's not going to seduce me! He thinks I'm innocent and virtuous and he respects me! He'll never marry me any way at all but from his own free will. That's what I've got to do—I've got to get him to make me an honest proposal of marriage! Why didn't I think of that long ago? But how can I do it—how can I do it—

Amber and Nan put their heads together over that problem, and at last they worked out a plan.

And about a week later Amber and Samuel Dangerfield set out for London in his coach.

It was raining through the forest, and the air was chill and cheerless. With a fur-lined robe across their laps, they each had a little brazier beneath their feet like the ones people took to church, full of burning coals.

The warmth with the steam

on the windows gave it a strange intimacy. He reached for her hand beneath the robe, and said: "A penny for your thought, Mrs. St. Clare." And Amber replied, with a sigh: "I'm going to miss our card games and suppers. It's going to seem mighty lonely now I've grown used to company."

He Falls Ill

But as they talked a sudden spasm of pain shot across his face. Amber seemed alarmed. But he protested it was nothing. The pain returned and grew worse. Amber insisted they stop at the next inn. There she made all arrangements for Dangerfield to be taken to a room, and having got him there, she loosened his clothes, piled hot water bottles around him, and covered him with blankets.

He begged her not to trouble, but to go on without him, and send a doctor. But she firmly refused. And soon, in spite of his discomfort, it became clear he was enjoying his illness and the attentions it brought him; the care of a beautiful young woman who refused even to leave him alone at night for fear the attack might recur.

A Nursemaid

She slept on a trundle near him. The slightest sound from him and she was out of bed and beside him; her rich, heavy hair falling about her face as she bent over him, the candle-light throwing shadows across

her arms and into her breasts. Her voice was like a caress, her flesh was warm whenever she happened to touch him; the heat of the room brought out an intoxicating fragrance of jasmine and ambergris in her perfume. And he remained in bed many days after all the pain had gone.

"Ye gods," said Amber to Nan one day as she was dressing in the room which adjoined his chamber. "I think when I marry this old man I'll be a nursemaid and not a wife."

"Heavens, mam, it's you've insisted he can't get out of bed. And it was your idea in the first place to feed him those toud-stools..."

"Sssh," cautioned Amber. "You've got no business remembering such things." She went toward the door of the next room; an expression of sweet tenderness spread over her face before she opened it.

Wed Again

Dangerfield House was in the aristocratic old quarter of Blackfriars. Climbing out of the coach Amber looked up at it with wide, wondering eyes. As Mrs. Samuel Dangerfield she was now mistress of all this. But she was feeling nervous at the prospect of meeting his family.

It was Lettice, Samuel's eldest daughter, who greeted them first. "My dear," said Samuel to Amber, "may I present my eldest daughter, Lettice. Lettice, this is my wife." Lettice gasped and turned pale-white. "Your wife? But, Dad... you're married? Your letters never mentioned we didn't... oh, I'm sorry—I..."

Samuel and Amber went upstairs to his apartments. Dush comfort and wealth everywhere. Beautifully laid floors, carved oak furniture, tapestry-hung walls. The impression was one of soberness. At a glance Amber saw that quiet and wellbred and moderate people lived in this house.

They walked into a drawing-room. Over the fireplace hung a portrait of Samuel and his first powerful, prim, unlovely face of wife. Amber, looking at the

first Mrs. Dangerfield, understood immediately why it had been possible to induce Samuel to marry her.

Big Family

Promptly at one o'clock Samuel and Amber entered the dining-room. Every member of the family who was at home and old enough to walk assembled to meet her. Almost 30 persons stood about the huge table. Such large families were common among the rich or middle-classes, and, of course, there were Samuel's grand-children.

"Lord!" thought Amber. "So many people to divide a fortune between. Well, there's one more now." She had expected them to be hostile. They were; for by law in the City of London one-third of a man's fortune must go to his widow. If she bore him a child—as she hoped to do—she might even get more.

An "Alien"

That was not the only reason for their dislike. She was to them an alien. Her beauty was too vivid to be decent in their eyes. They recognised her blatant quality of sex allure. A woman's eyes should not have that wicked slant, nor her body an air of being unclothed even when thoroughly covered. And lastly was their father's obvious and shameless infatuation.

For once married to him Amber was able to make use of a great many means for increasing his passion which she had not

could hear. "Yes, Samuel, it's true. But if you'll let me talk to you I can tell you why I had to do it. Please, Samuel." For a long minute they stood looking at each other. Then his head came up proudly and, with her arm still linked in his, they walked from the room.

By June, Amber, who was not yet pregnant, was beginning to worry gravely. For Samuel, she knew, was anxious to have a child—mostly, she suspected, to justify his marriage to her in his own and his family's eyes. And she wanted one herself. He had already redrawn his will to give her the legal one-third, but she thought that a baby might induce him to give her even more.

He had grown, almost comically sentimental about babies, considering that his first wife had borne him 13 children. And perpetually aware as she was of the hostility they all felt towards her, she believed that a baby would protect her as nothing else could.

Enveloped in a cloak, her face covered with a vizard, she went to consult half the midwives and quacks and physicians in London, asking their advice. She had a chestful of oils and balsams and herbs and a routine of smearing and anointing which occupied a great deal of time. Samuel's diet included vast quantities of oysters, eggs, caviar, and sweetbreads—but still the maddening fact persisted: she was not pregnant.

She finally went to an astrologer to have her stars read and was encouraged when he told her that she would soon conceive. Jeremiah's admiration for her step-mother increased. To the dismay of her elder sisters she copied Amber's clothes, her dressing of her hair, her cosmetics. Jeremiah was intended for young Joseph Cuttle, son of another City merchant. But one day she confessed to Amber she loathed him, and begged Amber to get her father to say she need not marry Cuttle.

Big Shock

"Do you want to know something, Amber?" said Jeremiah. "I'm in love with someone else." She described her ideal: "Tall. His hair's black and his eyes a wonderful colour. When he looks at me I get such a queer feeling. He's wonderful. He's everything in the world I admire."

To Amber's question as to where this wonder was, Jeremiah said: "Not in London. I've only seen him twice. One night here and another when I went with Sam and Bob to see his ships just before he sailed for America."

"What is his name? What's his name?" asked Amber. "He's a nobleman," answered Jeremiah. "Lord Carlton... Oh! what's the matter? Do you know him?"

A Threat

It was like a smack in the face with cold water, rude and shocking, and it made her angry because it scared her. But why should it? she thought, annoyed by her own uneasy lack of confidence. This girl can't mean anything to him. Why, she's just a child. Besides, she's not half as pretty as I am—or is she? Amber's eyes were going swiftly over her stepdaughter's face—seeing there now a threat to her own happiness. Don't be such a fool! she told herself wrathfully. Do you want her to guess? Only seconds had passed before she managed to answer with a show of casualness:

"Why, I think I met him once at the theatre. But how'd you come to be entertaining a lord and visiting his ships?"

"He does some business with father. I don't know just what," said Jeremiah.

Amber took the first chance to speak to her husband, carefully, about Bruce, Carlton. She asked if he were coming to London soon. But Samuel did not know.

Home Again

Then one day, crossing the courtyard to her coach, she saw another standing there. It was Almsbury's. She stood a moment stunned. Then, whirling, and ran back through Samuel's offices to his private business room and flung open the door.

Her husband and Lord Carlton stood before a great framed map of the New World. Bruce had his back turned. Yet even from the back he looked different to her from any other man.

With her heart beating violently, she said: "Oh, I'm sorry, Samuel. I thought you were alone."

"Come in, my dear. This is Lord Carlton, of whom you've heard me speak. My lord, may I present my wife?"

Bruce turned and looked at her, his eyes showing first surprise and then amusement. You he seemed to say—You, married to a respectable old merchant. But he merely took off his hat and bowed gravely. "Your servant, madame."

With Bruce

Amber felt she was going to fall apart, in little pieces, from heart to toe. "I just came to tell you, Samuel, that I won't be

home in time for dinner. I've got a call to make. Why don't you come to supper this evening, Lord Carlton?" He bowed again, smiling. "I shall be very glad to come, Mrs. Dangerfield. Thank you."

Half an hour later Amber was at Almsbury House. Her son, Bruce's son, was there with the Almsbury children. And of Emily, Lady Almsbury, she asked how long Bruce was going to stay this time. Emily told her she believed a month or so. "He's going to volunteer his ships for the war with the Dutch."

They talked awhile. And then Bruce came through the doorway of the nursery where they were. He was standing above her now, looking down and smiling. "I thought I might find you here," he said.

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A Warning

At the great supper at Dangerfield House that night, with merchants, lawyers, and goldsmiths as guests, Amber received them as hostess. And among them the only aristocrat, Lord Carlton. "I'm glad you were able to come," she told him.

"I'm extremely happy to be here, Mrs. Dangerfield."

No one could have guessed that only three hours ago they had lain together. Now they were cool and polite—strangers. But at the end of the evening, when he begged leave to take his departure, Amber ran out after him as he was getting into his coach. He rebuked her. "What are you thinking about, you little fool. You've got to use more sense this time."

"I'll be careful," she said. "Only I've got to see you, Bruce. When?"

"Come to the ships tomorrow. We'll be unloading and no one will be surprised if you're there."

More Next Week

Shades Of Izaak Walton!

Tokyo, Jan. 10. Japanese scientists have announced the discovery of a revolutionary method of catching fish without line, hooks, bait or net—you simply call to the fish and they come of their own free will.

Yoshio Hinokiyama, Professor of Agriculture in the Imperial University, said experiments proved that fish have a discriminating ear and react favourably and unfavourably to different kinds of sounds, wherefore it is possible either to attract fish with agreeable sounds or drive them into traps with disagreeable sounds.

The research group has already designed a special sound apparatus which is at present under construction in the University laboratory.

Hinokiyama said, "Fish react peculiarly to sounds. Carp, for instance, gather at the sound of hand clapping. In Chiba prefecture, seabeam rise to the surface when fishermen tap the side of the boat. In Nigata prefecture it is customary to drive eels from their nests with noise."—United Press.

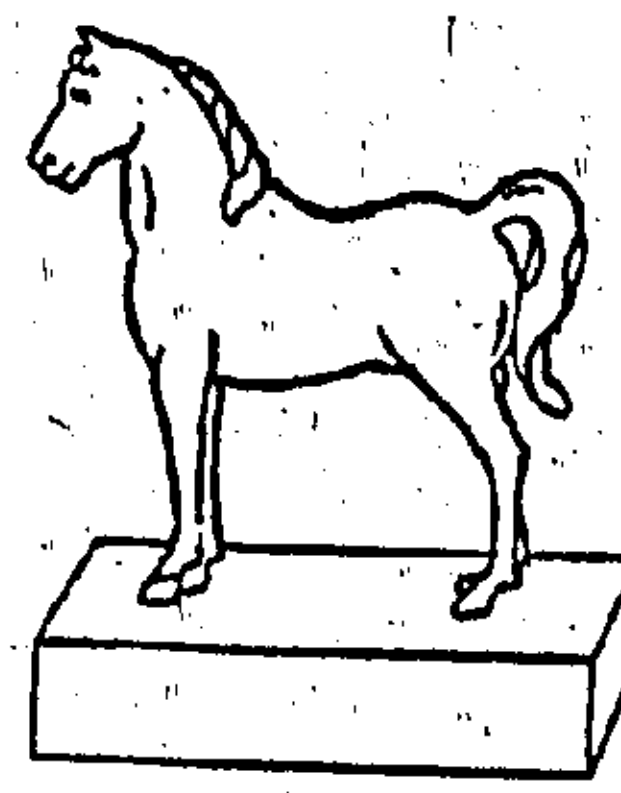
"Dash Into The Rifle Bayonet"

Yokohama, Jan. 10. The Eighth Army Military Commission today heard a witness say that a Japanese POW camp commandant advised an American to jump into a rifle bayonet.

Witness said the commandant, Masato Yoshida, told Gerald K. Titman, "You can commit suicide easily if you only dash into the rifle bayonet of the sentinel watching you."

The witness, Arthur W. Rance, of Walthamstow, London, said Titman did not take the advice of Yoshida, who is now on trial with three of his former underlings.

However, the Nebraskan died more than 20 days later after a severe beating by guards. Witness said Titman, frightened by prospects of a Japanese Army court martial for stealing chicken and rice, attempted suicide by tying a rope around his own neck.—United Press.



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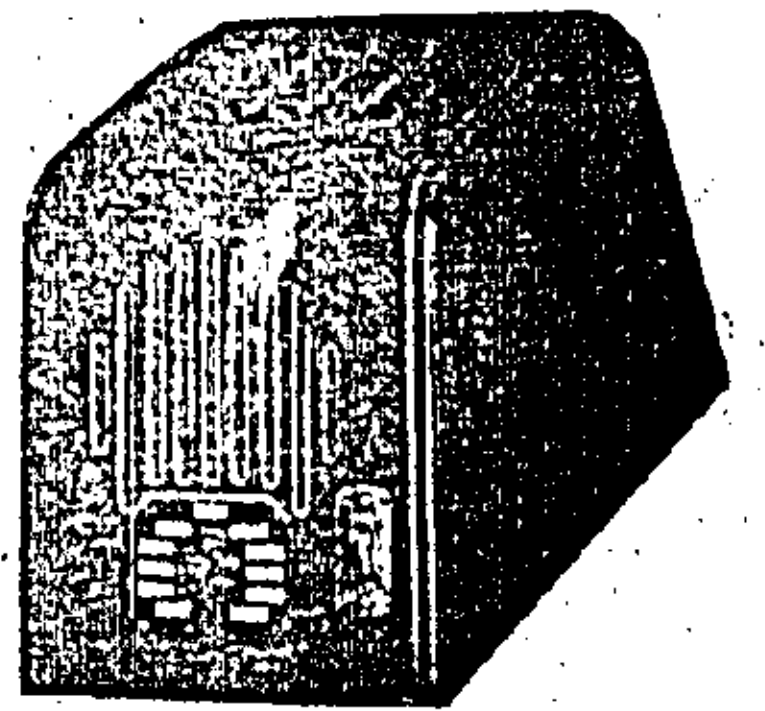
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MONTY CALLS ON STALIN

"Great Talk" With Red Generalissimo

Soviet Praise Of C. I. G. S.

Moscow, Jan. 10.
Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery today had a one-hour 12 minute conference with Generalissimo Stalin at the Kremlin. Lord Montgomery emerged smiling broadly. He said "I have had a great talk with the Generalissimo," and added that Stalin appeared in excellent health.

It was Lord Montgomery's first visit to the Generalissimo since he arrived here five days ago.

The Chief of British Imperial General Staff was quoted by Russian officials as saying that he was "highly satisfied" with his talks with Stalin.

He repeated to Stalin his statement that he came to Russia as a soldier to establish contact with the Soviet Army,

looking toward peacetime co-operation and friendship. He issued a message to the press today thanking Russians for their hospitality.

Monty's Handbook

Marshal Vassilevsky, Chief of the Soviet General Staff, did not accompany Lord Montgomery during the latter's Kremlin tour, but it was understood that though ill, he still hoped to bid the British Chief of Imperial General Staff goodbye at the airport tomorrow.

Monty has presented to Marshal Vassilevsky, a copy of his handbook on military tactics written as the result of his experiences during the war. It is understood he made a similar presentation to Generalissimo Stalin.

Presenting the book to Marshal Vassilevsky, Montgomery said: "I require all my officers down to the rank of major to read and study this. I think you will find it interesting and suggest you pass it on to members of your staff."

Marshal Vassilevsky, according to the story here, asked: "What officers do you require to study it—your staff officers?"

Montgomery replied: "No, indeed. Field officers. I consider them the most important in the Army."

Tonight Monty attended an official banquet in the Kremlin, his third visit to the ancient citadel.

Rare Privilege

He made a sight-seeing tour of the Kremlin today under a gentle fall of snow. He moved eagerly about the churches, museums and palaces inside the high walls of the historic fortress, the view of which had been made all the more fascinating by the recent restoration of buildings and the domes of the churches.

With him were Sir Maurice Peterson, the British Ambassador, Lady Peterson, and their two sons and other British diplomats and officers and their wives, the party numbering about 20.

News correspondents did not join in the tour, which is regarded as a rare privilege.

Two of the leading Moscow newspapers, Red Star, the Soviet Army newspaper, and Izvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, today published articles praising Montgomery's "gifts of military leadership" and analysing the battle of Alamein.

Major Tallensky, in Red Star, emphasised the destructiveness of the battle and the strategic gifts displayed in it by Lord Montgomery. — United Press, Associated Press and Reuter.

LOCUST PLAGUE

Jerusalem, Jan. 10.
A huge swarm of locusts—dreaded plague of biblical records—suddenly descended on Jerusalem covering streets, walls and roof-tops. Urchins rushed through the streets killing the pests which came from the south on the heels of a drought which is one of the worst in Palestine's history.—United Press.

Shocking Epidemic Of Suicides

Washington, Jan. 10.
The American League for a Free Palestine has submitted a memorandum to Pope Pius XII, drawing his attention to the "epidemic of suicides" that will shock the world among the 150,000 Jewish refugees in European displaced persons camps, the headquarters of the League announced tonight.

The memorandum appealed to the Pope, according to the League announcement, to "alleviate the plight of these people and win for them peace and security—a normal and dignified life which is the right of every human being."

The League has also asked the International Red Cross in Geneva to inquire into the circumstances of the death by shooting of Palestinian Israel Epstein, allegedly while attempting to escape from an Italian prison.—Reuter.

"Black Angel's" Message To Pope

Hamburg, Jan. 10.
Vera Calvequart, a tall attractive brunette who was a nurse at Ravensbrueck women's concentration camp, said here today that the Gestapo arrested her four times because she was engaged to marry a Jew.

One of the sixteen members of the camp staff charged with atrocities against the inmates, Calvequart gave evidence after a defence witness had said Swiss-born Carmen "Black Angel" Mory, another accused, had information passed to the Pope through a priest, in a confessional box in Berlin.

Fraulin Ruth Jobas, 26, of Hamburg, who said she was imprisoned with Mory in Berlin, witness said the SS men in the camp were afraid of Mory. The latter, she declared, had threatened the commandant of the Dachau concentration camp on the Baltic coast by saying she had smuggled his name and those of all SS women guards abroad and he would have to take the consequences if anything happened to the inmates. The court then adjourned.—Reuter.

Fascist Groups In South Africa

Cape Town, Jan. 11.
This week in the hill country not 50 miles from Cape Town I was driving with a high Government official when I saw a party of 30 men wearing light shirts, ties, black breeches, field boots, and armbands—all the accoutrements of the old Nazi organisations. In their hands, at the trail, were pieces of wood shaped to resemble rifles, (writes a Special Correspondent.)

I wanted to stop, but drove on at the urgent request of my companion, who said: 'This sort of thing is taking place in all parts of the country except Natal. I saw a similar party undergoing military training near Pretoria a fortnight ago.'

For the past three days I have been investigating this statement and I have proved it true beyond doubt.

Members of subversive organisations carrying out this training are men of wide education—lawyers, doctors, dentists, business men and farmers. They are preparing for the day when they dream of establishing a Nationalist State.

In fact, however, they are being used as catpaws by Germans and German sympathisers who are engaged in a campaign to give new life to such organisations.

The most bitter critics of the Union Government for its failure to take drastic measures to stamp out the whole movement are ex-Servicemen.

Representatives of 60,000 ex-

Service members of the Springbok Legion are presenting a petition to General Smuts demanding that the Prime Minister—Dismiss from Government service all ex-internees of German descent or sympathies who have been engaged or reengaged in high positions; and Ban all subversive organisations.

It is impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of the number of ex-internees in Government positions, but it is "considerable," according to Mr. S. Eppel, the Legion's secretary.

"One of the worst aspects of the situation," Mr. Eppel said to me, "is that, although the ex-internee Civil Servants have professedly renounced their subversive organisations, we have positive evidence they are still active as under-cover members."

"More sinister is the fact that they have been able to obtain key positions in such Ministries as Post and Telegraphs and Finance."

The deportation commission has released nearly 1,000 internees so far. At least 100 of those were members of the parent Nazi Party in Germany, and a further 100 volunteered to fight in the German forces at the outbreak of war.

Among those released to go where they will is Dr. Hans Hirschorn, the declared "fuehrer" of South-West Africa before the war.

Sinister "Army"

Among the chief subversive organisations are:—Osswabrangwa, which openly declares its objective to be the creation in South Africa of a National Socialist Republic. This organisation boasts 50,000 active members, and it is claimed, there would be more if the Civil Servants were not banned from joining. Large numbers of Government employees are secret members despite the ban.

The Greyshirts, a military organisation, the leader of which, Mr. L. T. Wolcherd, was released from an internment camp earlier this year.

Broderbond, the most sinister and dangerous "army" of all, with a limited and secret membership. Its followers hold some of the highest Government posts in the land, and, though no legal proof is obtainable, it is known to be the connecting link between all the subversive organisations in the country.

Ex-Servicemen Go To Marriage Society

London, Jan. 11.
Of the 100 men and women who have appealed to the Marriage Society for advice since its doors opened in Mayfair, London, three weeks ago, the largest number are ex-Servicemen who have already been married.

They are mostly ex-RAF men, who made hasty marriages before going abroad, returning to find that they had tied themselves to "good-time" girls whose conduct they could not forgive.

Often their divorces have already come through. And they all say:—

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The inquiries and requests for advice to the Society's headquarters in Green-street, W., come from all over Britain, from would-be brides and grooms of twenty-one to sixty years of age.

54,000 Cases

One of the founders of the Marriage Society said:—

"There are 54,000 divorce cases scheduled for next year. 'These days, it's refreshing to meet people, either young or old, who are really anxious to prepare scientifically for marriage.'"

Four Irgun Men Nabbed

Jerusalem, Jan. 11.

Palestine police yesterday announced the arrest of "four known members of Irgun Zvai Leumi" in Rimmon Lezion, where 18 other people were arrested or Tuesday.

Four houses and two hotels in Tel Aviv were also searched.

In the meantime, military authorities "played down" reports that four Airborne troops had assaulted a group of Jews in Sarona in the outskirts of Tel Aviv. There was some sort of trouble, but it was apparently only a minor incident, the authorities said.—Associated Press.

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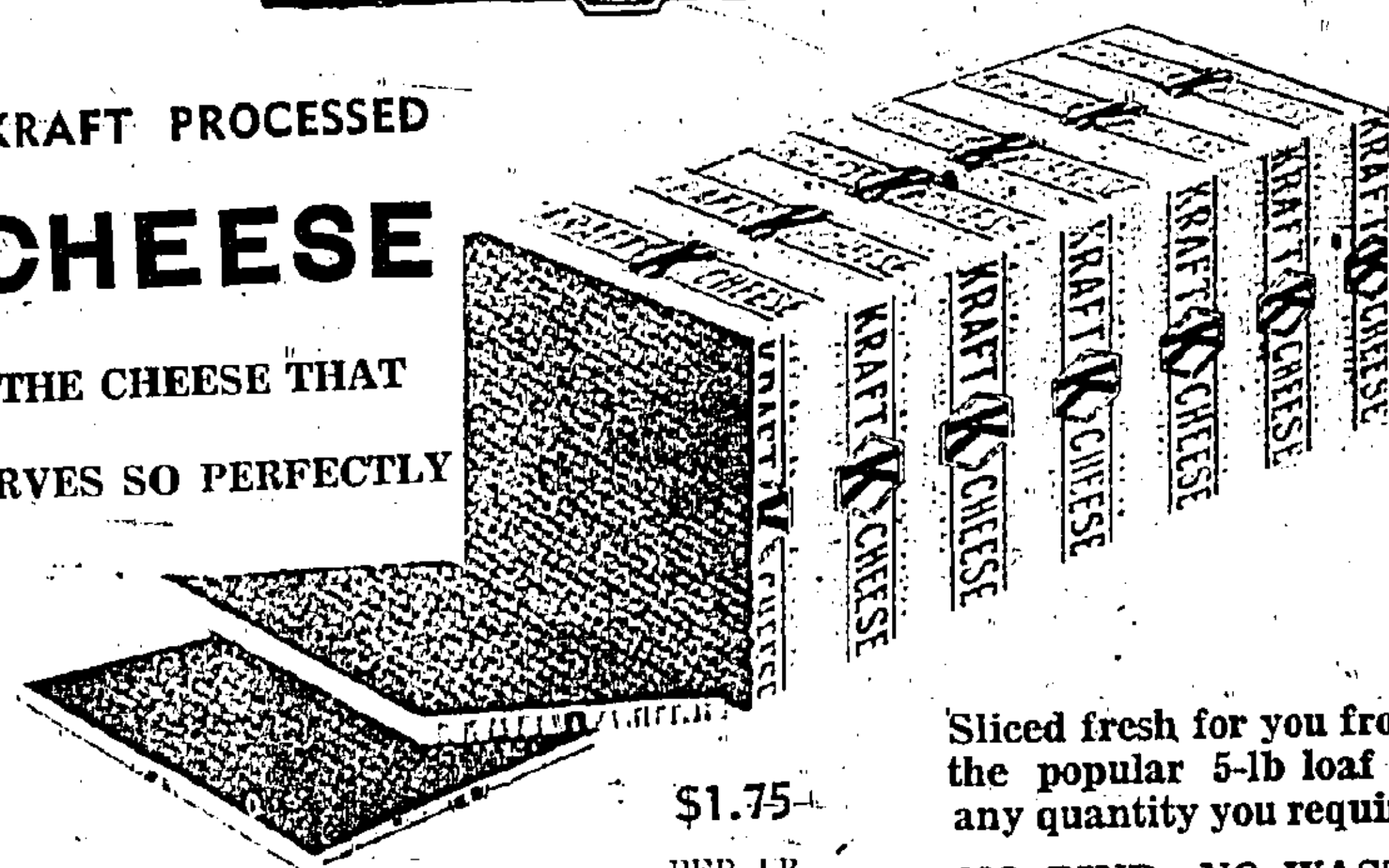
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Who Will Win The H.K. Derby?

Daisy Bell Is Favoured

(By "Rapier")

The stage is all set for the first Annual Racing Carnival since the reoccupation of the Colony, under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, which starts at 2.00 p.m. tomorrow with the first saddling bell ringing at 1.30 p.m.

There have been 88 Australian ponies in training for this Carnival and having watched them in their exercises for some time, I now give my readers some indication of the more prominent ones for this Annual Meeting.

The most important Race, of course, is the Hong Kong Derby which has attracted 36 entries out of the 88 ponies. Who will win?

I don't think I am far wrong in stating that Daisy Bell, belonging to the Zylch Stable, is, at the moment, the favourite. This pony has done well in training and after watching its recent gallop over the mile ridden by the Russian trainer, with her stable companion Elmer (Mr. S. L. Yuen up) when it clocked 2-07 with a last quarter of 23 apparently without effort, I am confident that it will be hard to beat. Daisy Bell will be taken out by Mr. S. L. Yuen.

Nurse Queen, belonging to Mr. R. Johannessen, has been frequently mentioned as a serious contender in the main event. It made the mile in 2-01 with a last quarter of 23.4/5 on January 4, which is a very creditable performance and as it will be taken out by Mr. Ostromoff its chance of winning is very bright.

Treat To Watch

Bashful Beauty, owned by Lee & Lee, comes next in popular estimation to the two ponies above and has come in for a good deal of attention, for its striding during morning gallops is a treat to watch and its chances of coming through in the straight are there as I hear that Commander Francis will probably take her out in the Derby.

Mr. N.O.C. Marsh will be represented by Kim, a bay gelding which has invariably done well over the mile distance but whether it is good enough for the mile and a half is doubtful. But as Mr. D. Black will be on top, one cannot tell what this combination will do and for those looking for outsiders, this pony should be kept in mind.

Dark Gallops

Peacock belonging to Esquire is another pony to be borne in mind for it has done some dark gallops and it may turn out to be the "Dark Horse" in this race. In any event take note of it for other events, even if it fails here.

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A Coming Pony

Mr. S. W. Tang's Richard I has not had a decent gallop so far, but judging from the way it moves, it appears to have talent which has not yet been properly developed.

Mr. Henry has a good looking pony in Lucky Strike but it appears to me at the moment to lack the strength for this gruelling race. It is definitely good, however, and should account for some of the races over distances from a mile and under.

The ponies I have mentioned are undoubtedly the best of this year's subs., and I think the Hong Kong Derby winner will be among them, with Daisy Bell, Nurse Queen, Bashful Beauty and Kim having the best chances.

Fifth Alarm (Russian trainer) and Kim (Mr. D. Black) went out for 1/2 mile gallop yesterday morning and on a hearing the 1 1/2 mile post, Fifth Alarm collided with Tribute (an officer on Top) with the result both riders fell off their mounts, luckily without any ill effects to the riders. Fifth Alarm came back lame whereas Tribute ran back to the stable.

Fastball

(By "Neutral")

Highlight in today's Fastball League matches will be the game between the leaders, Club de Recreio and Giants. This game will start at 4 p.m. at King's Park.

In the opening game at 10.30 a.m. Dock, Molten's Hong Kong Baseballers will cross bats with the Canadian Chinese. Doc's boys have been improving each week and although beaten on every occasion I have a strong feeling that they will come out on top. Immediately after this game Rovers meet Holshots in a game in which the odds are on Rovers.

The opener in the afternoon will see the St. Joseph's meeting Chung Wah. I can't see how the Saints can lose this game.

At 4 p.m. Giants meet Recreio in what should be the best game of the day. Both teams have lost a match and both will go all out to clinch this vital match.

From what I gather, Recreio will be without the services of Bertie Gosano, their all-rounder, who he will be playing in the Interport Football trial. But in spite of his absence Lino Gosano will be able to field a tough team. The Giants are a team of youngsters and if they can produce their best form I am afraid Recreio will go down. Otherwise, the odds are in favour of Lino Gosano's boys.

Yesterday's Rugger

In the first Rugby game yesterday, Club "A" beat Commandos "A" in a technically friendly game by 2 goals (10 pts.) to one try and one penalty goal (six pts.)

Play started scrappily and exchanges were even for the first ten minutes, when Commandos should have scored.

A good run by Kite, who took a difficult pass well, brought play to the Commandos' line for some minutes, but Commandos retrieved and Williams scored, after a good break through by Franklin, who was well tackled by Ingham. This try was not converted.

Commando youth and open air training were beginning to tell, though the Club seniors (who pushed together well) continued to get most of the ball.

Buchan, who was prominent in the first half, led a good rush to the Commando line, where play stayed for some time. Commandos' outsidemen were not taking advantage of the scrimmage superiority of their forwards. Kite broke through and, gathering the ball well, raced between the posts for Ingham to convert.

The first half ended with a long but unsuccessful bombardment of the touch line by the opposing full backs and their supporters.

The second half opened with Commandos taking the game into the Club half and after a few minutes, Buscall kicked a long penalty goal.

Club replied with a try after a very fine run by Page. This was converted by Ingham.

The game swung backwards and forwards with the three's of both sides playing a more thrustful game than before.

Club pressed heavily, the three-quarters taking full advantage of gaps in the Commandos' defence.

Commandos returned to the other end and after a good movement, were only prevented from scoring by the good tackling of Ingham, who played a well balanced game, showing surprising stamina.

Club: Ingham, Kite, Bennett, Wright-Moore, McNeay, Page, Drage, Colchester, Speyer, Cross, Mann, Benn, Brown, Richardson, Buchan.

Commandos: Dunkerley, Williams, Smith, Franklin, James, Weatherall-King, Mills, Scott, Curtis, Clark, McBurney, Buscall, Absalom, Titchhurst, Thompson.

SCOTLAND V. IRELAND-WALES

The second game, which was the final of the International Tournament between Scotland and Ireland-Wales, was won by Scotland by three tries (9 pts.) to nil.

Play, as was only to be expected with two sides who had never played together, was scrappy with too much kicking.

Scotland pressed from the start and opened the score through Stewart, who went over by the corner flag, after a good movement had been started by Dorrward. The kick failed.

Scotland continued to hold the advantage throughout the first half but their outsidemen were unable to get through the Irish-Welsh defence.

Eventually, Scotland's forwards, who were heavier than their opponents, pushed the ball over the line for England to score a second unconverted try.

Play in the second half continued to be scrappy with Scotland more often than not in the Irish-Welsh half.

Both full backs played well, with some good fielding and kicking. Taylor and England got through some good work for the winners.

England, who played a clever game in the loose, ended the scoring by going over by the left corner flag. The kick again failed.

HARRIER RACE

The Hong Kong International Harrier race, scheduled for Jan. 1, has been postponed until Jan. 22, Chinese New Year.

Chinese Y.M.C.A. secretary Shek Chen-tak, who is organising the race event, announced that the closing date for entries has been extended to Jan. 12, and can be sent to the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Physical Dept. Bridges St. Hong Kong.

45 Commando Reach Semi-Final

As a result of a well-deserved win over St. Joseph's, 45 Commando are the only non-Chinese team to reach the semi-final of the Senior Shield Competition. Sing Tao, South China and Kwong Wah were not fully extended and won comfortably.

In the only Junior Shield game played yesterday, Dockyard Recreation Club fully extended South China and were only beaten by the odd goal in the closing minutes of the second half.

SING TAO V. 44 CDO.

After scoring four goals in the first half, Sing Tao qualified for the semi-final of the Senior Shield competition at the Navy ground when they beat 44 RM Commando by four goals to one.

From the very beginning it was obvious that Sing Tao would come out on top but the question was—by how many goals? The Commandos came fighting, however, and besides scoring a goal in the second period kept the powerful Chinese combination at bay.

After netting their goals in their initial period Sing Tao slackened off. Six of their players will be appearing in the interport trial to-day.

To come back to the game, Commandos gave a good account of themselves and tried exceedingly hard to keep the Sing Tao forwards from netting many goals. Certainly, they had Chang Kam-hoi, Sing Tao leader of the attack, bottled up by their first-time tackling which swept Chang off his feet.

But that was as far as they could go for Lai Shui-wing was playing a rattling good game and scored a "hat-trick," three rattling goals that gave the goalies no chance.

Sing Tao took up the attack and within the first five minutes, Ho Ying-fan went through to net the first goal. Play was rather dull but Lai Shui-wing lived up to matters with some pretty touches that delighted the crowd. Not long after, he went through to beat the goalies with a grounder.

Before the interval Lai completed his hat-trick with two beautiful goals.

In the second half Sing Tao took things easy and after 20 minutes play, Murrel beat the goalies with a grand shot. From now until the end, play was rather robust and the referee had to blow his whistle frequently. The game ended very lamely with Sing Tao coming out deserved winners.

Thornton in goal for the Commandos did well but had no chance with the goals that beat him. Green was a tower of strength at back while Wells in the pivotal position had Chang Kam-hoi well checked.

Reddish and Murrel did well forward but found Sing Tao defenders too good.

Yu Lu-tak again demonstrated that he is a first class goal-keeper by dishing out a grand display. He saved two certain goals. Hau Yung-sang as usual at right back, was the star player on view while both Lau Chung-sang and Fung Kwai-sing, the wing halves, were brilliant. Of the forwards, Lai Shui-wing was the best while Tso Chau-ting, his partner, was very fast. Ho Ying-fan was good while Tam Kung-sang was fast on the right wing.

Team: Sing Tao: Yu Lu-tak, Hau Yung-sang, Lau Tin-sang; Lau Chung-sang, Hsu King-sing; Tam Kung-sang, Ho Ying-fan, Chang Kam-hoi, Lai Shui-wing and Tso Chau-ting.

44 RM Commando: Thornton, Thompson and Green; Longbottom, Wells and Wheatland; Whitewade, Forrest, Reddish, Murrel and Heath.

SOUTH CHINA V. EASTERN

South China seniors defeated Eastern by four goals to one in the Second Round of the Shield Competition at Caroline Hill yesterday, after leading one goal to nil at the interval.

South China did not live up to their usual standard of play and spectators were greatly disappointed.

Ten minutes after Lau Fook-chuen equalised. The Navy netted again immediately but the referee ruled a foul, much to their disappointment. It was a doubtful decision. The Chinese took the lead through Kwok Ying-ki. Half-time found the Chinese 2-1 in the lead.

In the second period Lau Fook-chuen increased the lead with a header and this was followed by a goal from Kwok Ying-ki. The Navy fought well and scored two quick goals through Jones and Reece. Just before the game ended, Lau Fook-chuen netted the last goal.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

SENIOR SHIELD	
St. Joseph's	3 45 Commando
Navy	3 Kwong Wah
South China	3 Eastern
Sing Tao	4 44 RM Cdo.

JUNIOR SHIELD	
South China	3 Dockyard

appointed. Eastern should have scored more goals, particularly in the first half, but failed miserably in front of goal time after time.

The play was even throughout the first period, although Eastern were better off in the first stage. It even gave one the impression that Eastern might force a draw.

Chau Man-chi drew first blood five minutes from the interval from a pass by Tse Kam-hoi. Leung Ting-hong saved Chau's kick. The ball did not go further but was again caught by Chau, who easily sent it into the net.

Ten minutes after the whistle on the resumption, Chau Wing-keung passed the ball to Chan Tak-fai, who added another goal for the winners.

Within the next three minutes, Chan Tak-fai netted the third goal for South China from a pass by Lee Shek-yau.

The play went on in Eastern's half throughout until the 20th minute, when Li Ping-chiu managed to bring the ball into the South China's defence line. Wong Wah-kee dashed out to intercept it but missed the ball, which enabled Li to score an open, and the only, goal for Eastern.

Two or three minutes from the end, Chau Man-chi registered the final goal for South China through a long shot outside the shooting line.

KWONG WAH V. NAVY

With the inclusion of Kwok Ying-ki and Lam Tak-po of South China, Kwong Wah advanced into the semi-final of the Senior Shield at the expense of Navy by five goals to three.

The game was fast and interesting with both teams giving a good display except, towards the end when Lam Tak-po was inclined to go for the man instead of the ball.

Evans, in goal, was unreliable and should have saved at least three of the five goals. Birch was a bit slow and this also applies to Coles. Haggie was the best of the forwards while Jones and Willis gave him adequate support.

Kwong Wah was well served by Lau Chung-kan at right half, while Li Kwok-ki, after a shaky start, was applauded during the last ten minutes of the game. He was rather lucky to save a few certainties.

Of the forwards, Cheuk Shek-kan and Lau Fook-chuen were the best while Kwok Ying-ki in spite of scoring two goals, was not much in the picture.

Right from the beginning, both sides attacked in turn and after seven minutes Willis gave the Navy the lead with a direct corner kick.

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Home Football Results

London, Jan. 11.
The following were the results of football matches played today:—

F.A. Cup 3rd Round

Blackburn	1 Hull C.	1
Bolton	3 Stockport	1
Dorchester	0 Derby	2
Bradford	0 M'chester U.	3
Brentford	1 Cardiff C.	0
Burnley	5 Villa	1
Charlton	3 Rochdale	1
Chelsea	1 Arsenal	1
Chester	2 Plymouth A.	0
Chesham	2 Sunderland	1
Covey	5 Newport	2
Dorchester R.	2 Portsmouth	3
Everton	4 Southend	2
Fulham	1 Birmingham	2
Huddersfield	3 Barnsley	4

Lincoln	0 Notts F.	1
Luton	6 Notts C.	0
Manchester C.	3 Gateshead	0
Port Vale	3 Millwall	0
Newcastle	0 Palace	2
Northampton	1 Preston	2
P. P. R.	1 Middlesboro	1
Reading	2 Grimsby	2
Sheffield U.	3 Carlisle	3
Wednesday	4 Blackpool	1
Southampton	5 Bury	1
Swansea	4 Clingham	1
Tottenham	2 Stoke C.	2
Walsall	2 Liverpool	1
West Brom.	2 Leeds U.	1
Westham	1 Leicester C.	1
Wolver	3 Motherwell	0

Aldershot	0 Bristol R.	2
Brighton	2 Torquay	0
Bristol C.	1 Ipswich	0
Leyton O.	3 Exeter	0
Swindon	5 Watford	0

Darlington	2 Bradford City	0
Hartlepool	1 Oldham	1
Southport	2 Brighton	0
Tranmere	1 Bury	0
York City	0 Accrington	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

"A" Division

Aberdeen	2 St. Mirren	0
Clyde	0 Third Lanark	3
Hamilton	0 Hibernian	1
Hearts	2 Motherwell	1
Morton	0 Kilmarnock	1
Queen's Park	1 Celtic	3
Rangers	2 Falkirk	4
Falkirk	4 Partick	0

"B" Division

Albion R.	2 Ayr United	1
Aberdeen	0 Dunbarton	0
Dundee U.	0 Alloa A.	2
Dunfermline	4 Raith R.	1
East Fife	5 Cowdenbuth	0
St. Johnstone	1 Dundee	4
Airdrie	1 Airdrie	4

Irish Regional League

Ballymen	1 Distillery	0
Belfast C.	8 Derry City	1
Covington	4 Cliftonville	4
Glentworth	2 Linfield	1

Other Matches

Carnarvon	1 Wrexham	8
Rouler		

ST. JOSEPH'S V. 45 CDO.

At Soekunpoo yesterday, 45 Commando beat St. Joseph's by five goals to three in the Second Round of the Senior Shield after having most of the play throughout the game.

St. Joseph's did not play their usual game and from the start it was obvious that 45 Commando were the better team. St. Joseph's gave a very sporting display and after being three goals to one down at the interval drew level 10 minutes before full time.

Goal scorers for Commando were Didcott (2), Reynolds, Goldthorpe and Broadhead, for St. Joseph's, Carvalho scored all the goals, including a penalty.

SOUTH CHINA V. DOCKYARD

Extra time was required to enable South China Juniors to beat the Dockyard XI in the Second Round of the Shield Competition at Caroline Hill yesterday by the odd goal in five.

After a goalless first half, South China netted the first two goals through Chan King-cheung and So Gok-ying respectively. In the first half of the extra time, neither side was able to score. Towards the last minute in the second extra period, Tam Chi-kui netted the winning goal.

COMBINED TEAM SCORE 374

Hobart, Tasmania, Jan. 11.
On the second day of the three-day match here, the combined team of Tasmania and four Australian Test players gained a decided advantage over the M.C.C. tourists as, in reply to the total of 278 compiled yesterday, the combined side replied with 374 today and have taken one second innings wicket of the M.C.C. for 52 runs.

This happy state of affairs for the Combined Side was due in a large measure to the tail-enders for when they had lost six wickets for 150, including Australia's Test stars Barnes, Hassett and Johnson the advantage was certainly with the M.C.C.

KCC Beat IRC By 44 Runs

Kwloon Cricket Club beat the Indian Recreation Club by 44 runs in a friendly cricket match played at Cox's Path yesterday. The I.R.C. were one player short.

C.I. Stapleton contributed 55 to the K.C.C. innings and F.I. Zimmern 27. R. E. Lee took five I.R.C. wickets for 34 runs.

K.C.C.

C.I. Stapleton, b. Runjahn	55
F.A. Broadbridge, c. & b. Nazarin	1
F.I. Zimmern, b. Hassan	27
F.R. Zimmern, b. Runjahn	3
R.E. Lee, c. Abbas, b. Nazarin	14
S.A. Gray, b. Runjahn	2
J. Fenton, not out	5
Extras	5
Total (for 6 wks. decl.)	108

K. Lo, E.C. Fincher, F.E. Lawrence and C. Tierman did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

A. R. Abbas, 10-1-28-0; A. K. Nazarin 10-2-37-2; K. M. Runjahn 8.5-0-30-3; M. B. Hassan 2-0-3-1.
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I.R.C.

A.R. Abbas, b. Lee	1
K. Nazarin, run out	14
K.M. Runjahn, lbw, b. Lee	28
A.R. Sufflad, b. Lee	2
S.H. Khan, b. F.R. Zimmern	0
S.A. Ismail, not out	9
M.I. Razack, c. & b. F.R. Zimmern	0
M.B. Hassan, b. F.R. Zimmern	0
A.R. Minu, c. Fincher, b. Lee	0
S.K. Khan, b. Lee	1
Extras	9
Total	64

BOWLING ANALYSIS

F.R. Zimmern 12-2-21-3; R.E. Lee 11.2-2-34-5.

Married Beat The Single

The Married XI beat the Single XI by 10 wickets in an inter-Club cricket match at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday.

Singles

O.J. Kerr, b. Owen Hughes	10
H.J. Muriel, c. Wood, b. Perry	2
F.A. Weller, b. Perry	0
D. Clague, b. Perry	0
C. Bell, b. Hart Baker	37
K. F. Atwell, run out	32
J.F. Marshall, b. Owen Hughes	0
L. Comdr. Briggs, c. Owen Hughes, b. Hart Baker	2
M. Harriman, lbw, b. Hart Baker	3
Derek Lester, not out	0
Hegarty, b. Hart Baker	0
Extras	8
Total	86

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Owen Hughes	11	0	29
Perry	10	1	26
Haymes	5	1	16
Hart Baker	5.5	2	15.

Married

J.E. Richardson, retired	39
H.D. Bidwell, c. Briggs, b. Clague	42
D. McLellan, not out	15
D.S. Robb, c. Kerr, b. Lester	1
R.M. Wood, b. Lester	11
Forryth, c. Clague, b. Kerr	11</